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Firefighters have blast at annual games

The Minden Hills Fire Department hauled away top honours for tug-o-war on Sunday in Head Lake Park. Here, the front three from left, John Murray, Chase Proctor and Jennifer Semach help heave their team to victory.

■ Photo & Story by Laura Redman

Thirty firefighters from three county fire departments competed with two teams from each department in four events at the local Firefighters' Games on Sunday in Head Lake Park in Haliburton.

Three other events offered up bragging rights for a year - the water ball was won by Dysart fire department, the tug of war was won by Algonquin Highlands for the team event and, as a fire department, Minden Hills won the group pull. The overall winners were Algonquin Highlands (Stanhope) Team 1.

Organized by Dysart Fire Chief Miles Maughan, the games have been running for about 15 years, with a couple of years missed within that time. But Maughan said the games offer a way for the firefighters to get to know each other in a fun and informal way before they could be expected to work together on a mutual aid call. ■

See more photos inside on page 10

Standing room only at Algonquin Highlands all candidates meeting

Over 200 voters turned up at the Stanhope Community Centre to interrogate the Algonquin candidates, although many of the questions were directed to candidates who were unable to appear

■ By Jerry Grozelle

It was standing room only at the Stanhope Community Centre Sunday when Algonquin Highlands ratepayers had the opportunity to meet some of the candidates who are vying for a seat on the township's council and ask questions of them. Two of the candidates, Gerald Bain (running in Ward Two) and Diane Griffin (incumbent in Ward Three) were unable to attend because of prior commitments.

Following the short introductions each of the candidates presented, the floor was opened to the public for questions. Unfortunately, many of the questions were directed toward the two candidates who were unable to attend, most specifically Gerald Bain. The majority of the questions focused on Bain's support of the airport expansion and/or his recent statement that the project should be put on hold pending a financial review.

Moderator Bram Lebo of Canoe FM noted that Bain would have an opportunity to respond to these and other questions,

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Chamber faces challenges, but drives up membership

■ By Laura Redman

Heading into their 75th year, the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce has had a year filled with challenges and change, but their current president remains focused on the positive.

The Chamber held their annual general meeting on Sept. 16, and current President Nick Lawrence spoke initially about the deficit the chamber currently has in their statement of operations. The Chamber finished their fiscal year with a deficit of just under $30,000, and Lawrence pointed his finger at inaccurate data and increased wages as the cause.

"Unfortunately, we were led to believe we had more members – 48 members – more than we actually did," Lawrence said.

Lawrence spoke to the 52 members gathered for the breakfast meeting, at 212 Fine Foods, hosted by Maarten Steinkamp and sponsored by McKeck's The Blue Line. Lawrence said the hiring of a full-time manager in addition to a part-time staff position, has

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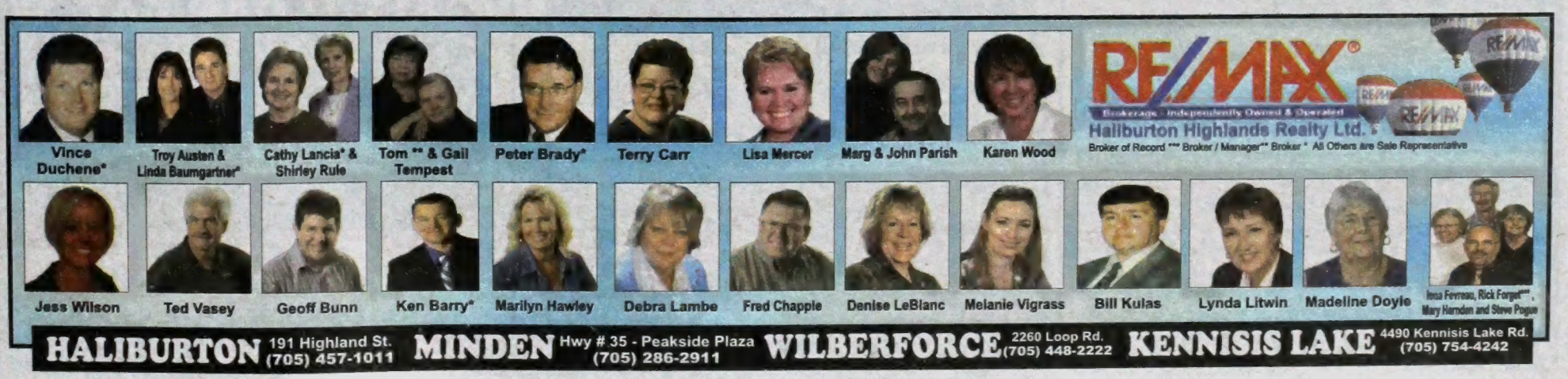

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▲ 23° ▼ 12°

FRIDAY

More afternoon showers possible

▲ 24° ▼ 9°

SATURDAY

Becoming mostly sunny and cooler

▲ 13° ▼ 7°

SUNDAY

Sunny to partly cloudy and milder

▲ 18° ▼ 9°

MONDAY

Partly cloudy and seasonable

▲ 18° ▼ 8°

TUESDAY

Chance of afternoon showers

▲ 19° ▼ 8°

WEDNESDAY

Cooler with more showers likely

▲ 13° ▼ 4°

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Acapulco	31/26/ts	31/25/ts	31/26/ts	Montego Bay	32/26/ts	32/25/ts	32/26/ts
Antigua	31/26/pc	31/26/pc	31/26/ts	Nassau	32/27/ts	32/27/ts	32/26/ts
Barbados	31/25/ts	31/26/pc	31/25/pc	Port au Prince	33/25/ts	32/24/ts	32/24/ts
Bermuda	27/22/su	28/23/su	29/23/su	Puerto Vallarta	32/26/ts	32/26/ts	32/25/ts
Cancun	31/25/ts	32/24/ts	32/24/ts	St Thomas	31/26/ts	31/26/ts	30/26/ts
Curacao	32/26/ts	31/26/ts	30/24/ts	St. Maarten	31/26/pc	31/26/pc	31/26/ts
Freeport	31/26/ts	30/26/ts	31/26/ts	San Jose, CR	26/17/ts	26/17/ts	24/17/ts
Georgetown	32/24/ts	32/24/ts	32/23/ts	San Juan	32/26/ts	31/26/ts	30/25/ts
Havana	31/23/ts	32/23/ts	31/23/ts	San Salvador	28/21/ts	28/21/ts	26/20/ts
Key West	31/26/ts	30/26/ts	31/27/ts	Santo Domingo	31/23/ts	30/22/ts	30/23/ts
Kingston	31/26/ts	31/26/ts	31/26/ts	Trinidad	32/24/ts	33/24/ts	33/24/ts

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/Otlk	Friday Hi/Lo/Otlk	Saturday Hi/Lo/Otlk	Sunday Hi/Lo/Otlk	Monday Hi/Lo/Otlk	Tuesday Hi/Lo/Otlk	Wednesday Hi/Lo/Otlk
Bancroft	23/12/sh	24/9/sh	13/7/pc	18/9/pc	18/8/pc	19/8/sh	13/4/sh
Barrie	24/13/sh	24/9/sh	13/7/pc	18/9/pc	19/8/pc	19/8/sh	13/5/sh
Dorset	23/12/sh	24/9/sh	13/7/pc	18/8/pc	18/8/pc	19/8/sh	13/4/sh
Haliburton	23/12/sh	24/9/sh	13/7/pc	18/9/pc	18/8/pc	19/8/sh	13/4/sh
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Oshawa	24/13/sh	26/10/sh	16/8/pc	19/10/pc	21/11/pc	21/9/sh	15/7/sh
Ottawa	19/7/pc	22/10/sh	16/6/pc	18/9/su	18/8/su	18/7/sh	13/4/sh
Toronto	24/14/sh	26/10/sh	16/8/pc	19/10/pc	21/11/pc	21/10/sh	16/8/sh

NATIONAL CITIES

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Calgary	16/3/su	16/6/su	21/9/su	23/11/pc	23/12/pc	25/13/su	26/13/pc
Edmonton	17/5/su	16/6/pc	18/7/pc	17/7/cl	18/8/sh	21/9/sh	21/11/cl
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Halifax	17/9/sh	18/10/cl	17/9/sh	18/9/pc	19/11/pc	19/11/sh	16/9/ra
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Regina	14/7/cl	18/7/pc	20/9/su	23/11/su	22/10/pc	23/11/su	24/12/su
St. John's	15/5/su	13/3/su	11/4/sh	12/6/pc	15/7/su	17/8/pc	18/11/ra
Saskatoon	15/6/su	17/6/sh	19/7/pc	19/8/cl	19/9/sh	22/10/sh	23/11/cl
Vancouver	15/11/ra	17/12/ra	16/13/ra	17/13/ra	18/13/sh	19/14/pc	18/12/sh
Whitehorse	7/-6/pc	4/-3/cl	17/8/pc	16/7/cl	17/8/pc	18/9/sh	18/10/sh
Winnipeg	17/8/cl	18/9/pc	11/2/sh	19/7/su	18/9/sh	17/7/pc	19/9/pc

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Last seven days	High	Low	Prec.
Monday 9/20	16°C	3°C	0.0 mm
Sunday 9/19	15°C	5°C	0.0 mm
Saturday 9/18	17°C	6°C	0.5 mm
Friday 9/17	15°C	8°C	0.5 mm
Thursday 9/16	11°C	8°C	2.0 mm
Wednesday 9/15	14°C	6°C	0.0 mm
Tuesday 9/14	15°C	8°C	0.0 mm

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SUN & MOON

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set
Thu.	7:02 a.m./7:10 p.m.	6:52 p.m./7:22 a.m.
Fri.	7:04 a.m./7:08 p.m.	7:14 p.m./8:25 a.m.
Sat.	7:05 a.m./7:06 p.m.	7:39 p.m./9:29 a.m.
Sun.	7:06 a.m./7:04 p.m.	8:09 p.m./10:33 a.m.
Mon.	7:07 a.m./7:02 p.m.	8:45 p.m./11:38 a.m.
Tues.	7:08 a.m./7:00 p.m.	9:30 p.m./12:42 p.m.
Wed.	7:10 a.m./6:58 p.m.	10:24 p.m./1:40 p.m.

Full	Last	New	First
Sept. 23	Sept. 30	Oct. 7	Oct. 14

A D.A.M good show

Impromptu jam sessions encourage artists to embrace spontaneity

Dave Moffatt, owner of The D.A.M. Music Shop and Shawn Chamberlin, owner of the Dominion Hotel in Minden during a recent open jam session.

■ **By Mark Arike**

Each and every Friday night at the Dominion Hotel in Minden, musicians and spectators who enter the establishment should expect the unexpected.

That's because for the past five weeks, The D.A.M. Music Shop in Minden, has hosted impromptu jam sessions where anyone of any age can come out to play, sing or just sit back, relax and watch others.

"They've [sessions] been packed," said Dave Moffat, owner of The D.A.M. Music Shop, in a phone interview. "We get pro musicians who play with amateurs, rockers who play with blues artists, country … it's all acoustic," Moffat said of the wide range of talent.

From the time that the first jam night was held, droves of people have been coming out, with some staying into the late hours of the night.

"The first night we went until 2 a.m.," Moffatt recalled, "but now we're going to cut it off at midnight."

Before launching the weekly event, Moffatt and Dominion owner Shawn Chamberlin spent a lot of time talking about the idea.

"This is something that I wanted to do for over a year," Chamberlin said. "We really needed an outlet for local musicians to play at, get to know each other, and try new stuff out."

Chamberlin, who also owns the Grill On the Gull, hosts many performing arts events at his establishments. Regular jazz shows, poetry readings and occasional movie screenings are just some examples.

As someone who considers himself a fairly strong supporter of the arts, Chamberlin views the jam sessions as "a nice add-on" to his restaurant's regular programming.

"The thing about this county is that there's so much talent in it," Chamberlin explained. "There are so many people with something to say – artistically. So this provides them just another place to do that in."

Chamberlin says that he is incredibly pleased with the positive reaction that the weekly event has already received.

"The talent is so good that it has attracted new people here and they are coming back," he said, adding that the spontaneity of each night is what makes it such a unique event.

"You'll get people going up on stage, in some instances performing with people they don't even know. There's magic in that spontaneity – it really comes together," Chamberlin explained.

And last Friday was no different. Chamberlin himself was one of those spontaneous performers, getting on stage to play a percussion instrument while Gary Chapman sang and played guitar.

Prior to their rousing, rip-roaring performance, Carnarvon area artist Ross Daniels rocked out some tunes, setting the tone for the evening.

"This is exactly what the town needs," Daniels said after stepping off stage.

Daniels, a member of the Haliburton County Folk Society (HCFS) and past opening act for female folk group The Good Lovelies, found out about the event through a newspaper advertisement.

"I definitely want to return to this," Daniels said after his first experience.

Interested in being a part of the next jam session? All you have to do is show up. The action starts at 8:30 p.m. It's free to participate and watch, but donations are accepted.

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Colourfest is coming

■ Photo by Laura Redman

Volunteers for the BIA were busy on Friday decorating Haliburton village with fall colours as they created seven fall displays and attached corn stocks to 50 posts throughout the village. Cheryle Russell, left, and Nancy Davis were busy tying the stalks into bunches to display on the posts. ■

Rhonda Elstone wins BIG!

■ Photo by Laura Redman

The Canoe FM team presented Rhonda Elstone of Haliburton with the grand prize of a 16-foot Legacy Canoe built by Langford Canoe on September 8 from their 7th Annual Canoe FM Fundraiser Golf Draw. This year happens to be Canoe FM's 7th anniversary and Dorset's Langford Canoe company's 70th anniversary. The radio station sold out all 500 tickets for the Langford cedar canoe and 35 rounds of golf. Elstone has now factored for three years in the annual draw – but previously won rounds of golf - never the grand prize. From left, all from Canoe FM, Dave Allen, advertising sales, Greg Roe, president, Roxanne Casey, station manager, Paul Cameron, vice president, and in front, canoe winner, Rhonda Elstone. ■

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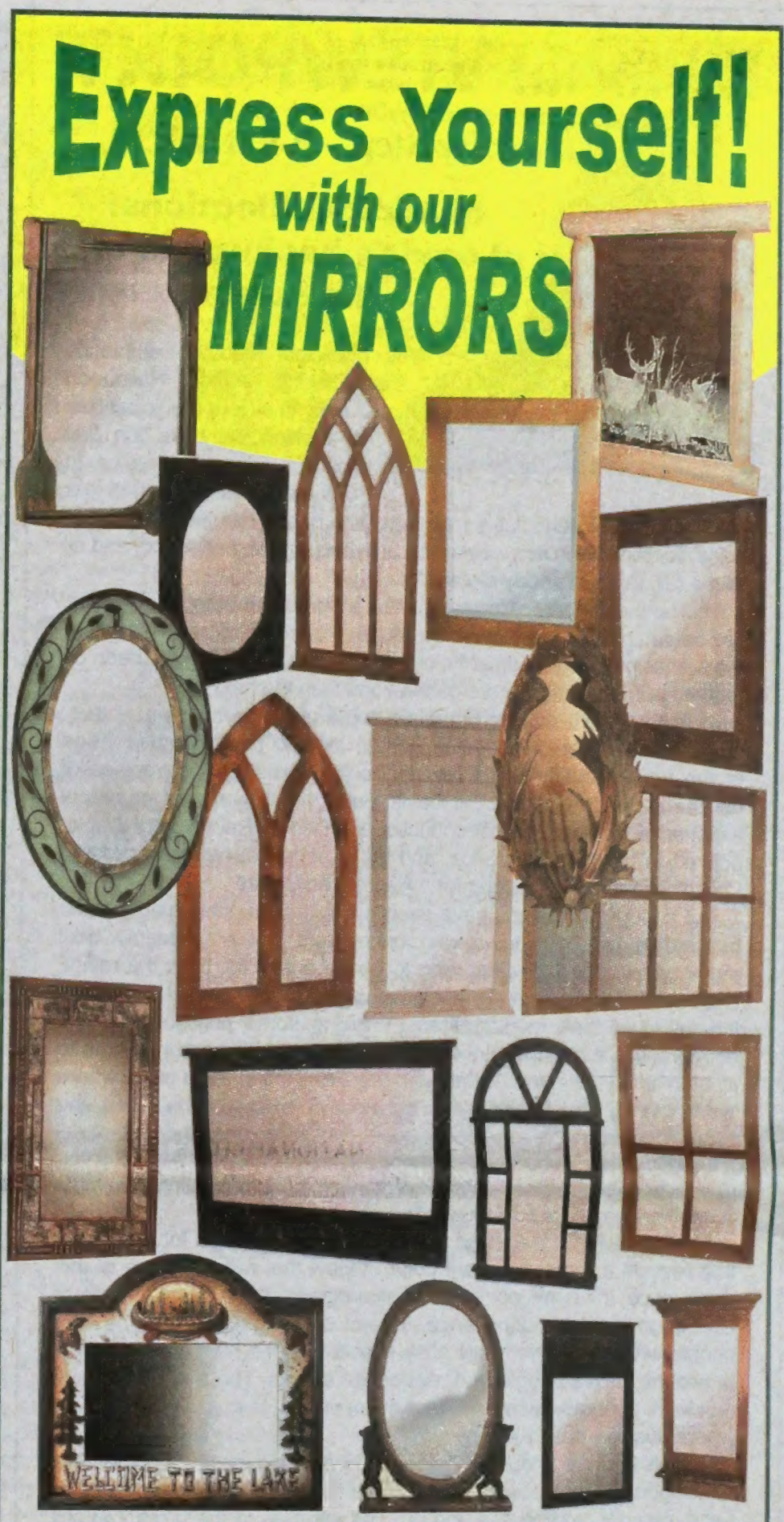

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Editorial VIEWPOINT

By Stephen Patrick

Municipal Elections: Looking backwards to the Future

The Municipal Election campaigns are raging across Haliburton County in all four municipalities: in addition we have the first race for education trustee in 10 years. So far we've had four media-hosted all candidates meetings (see pages one and nine in this issue) for reports on last weekend's activities), all well attended, and all with a fair share of prickly discussion.

Thus far the majority of the candidates have concentrated on process, on competence, on promises to be fiscally prudent, to represent faithfully the wishes of their constituents, or to prove their families have been on one or another road for more generations than the next guy.

At last weekend's Dysart meeting some of the candidates, notably Deputy Reeve candidate Janis Parker, tried to put forward a vision of the future, touting the 'Creative Economy' as the centrepiece of her campaign. Incumbent Bill Davis touted his 22 years of municipal experience; likewise, former councilor and Deputy Reeve Jerry Walker pointed to his fiscal prudence, and his experience; newcomer Martin Lacey pushed hard and long for a Recreation Centre.

But all four campaigns have seen a healthy, if understated tension between those candidates who understand just how deeply local municipal politics is by promising to fix the pot holes, plow the roads, and keep taxes down: and those other candidates who want to redefine the future of their municipalities by taking some philosophical and entrepreneurial chances. In other words, this second group seems to want to take Haliburton County into the 21st century as a place where 'smart money' and smarter small business co-exist with the 1950s and 1960s tourism and resort-based model (which replaced the first model of lumbering and subsistence farming). These conflicting visions, if you will, are beginning to make this contest much more interesting than most of us might have predicted just a few short months ago.

This past week I received a note in the mail from a local resident that reveals a rather poignant point of view that reflects some of this disconnect. In it my correspondent suggests that, "In the summer Haliburton loses her innocence. Indeed one might say that the only people who benefit from this busy season are the merchants, service providers, trades people and real estate agents. The rest of the local residents generally learn to let the influx of people that summer brings where possible pass them by.

"Locals learn to shop early morning or evening when the stores are not clogged … they observe the endless flow of heavy trucks delivering sand, cement, aggregates and building supplies to the lakes that still have building lots open where monster homes, sorry, cottages, are being built, some set up with gated driveways. There are lakes where one may only 'enjoy' the roar of large power boats and the water churning dash of seadoos.

"Locals are aware during election time of the avowed wish of some candidates to see more jobs created, businesses built and houses provided. These sentiments are laudable, for the county is the poorest in the province in terms of income and jobs are welcome. But where will these buildings go? Haliburton hugs a small lake and is buttressed by an escarpment which offers no extra space … Muskoka is full: they have more impressive summer traffic jams than our own … Bancroft is just too far away … so that leaves Haliburton in the middle."

Well, there's certainly lots of bush left for subdivisions, that's for sure. But our writer reflects a growing unease with the pace and scale of traditional development. That conflict is also reflected in the disagreement over the idea of a Haliburton bypass (extending the Industrial Park Road to 118): Deputy Reeve Candidate Walker interestingly says that Haliburton Village is a destination spot anyway, and not to worry that the extension will see village business destroyed. Ward One Candidate Jim Henwood, to no one's surprise, vigorously disagrees, and sees the extension as a death knell for local business. It's to be hoped that these questions and divides will be addressed by all candidates in the month remaining in the campaign.

In subsequent issues we'll take a look at the central themes in the other three municipal races. ■

Letter of the Week

Beware the 'weapons of mass distraction'

Dear Editor:

It strikes me as odd that the gun registry "debacle" has came up again "Oh but wait, the elections are coming, or could be coming, so I guess that explains that! It seems to me that whenever the government wants to draw away everyone's attention from something they have done or something they have not done, they automatically start to tug the tail or the controversial gun registry program out of the closet. They ask "Who wants to keep it?" "Who doesn't want to keep it?" BLAA, BLAA, BLAA!!! What a farce, we all know nothing is going to happen one way or the other.

But that's not the point, it's all about "Distraction" and it works like a charm, after all here I am blathering on about it. What about all the other stuff that has happened over the last year. Remember when members of the government voted unanimously to not show their financial records to the auditor general? To continue on with things that have happened, what about when Amanda Lindhout a freelance journalist was kidnapped in Somalia and held for over a year?

Where and what have the people we elect been doing? Why bring out the gun registry now of all times? Is it to remind us that nothing has happened in the last few years! Why are our solders still in Afghanistan, dying in a religious war that has nothing to do with us? How many lives have been lost for a freedom in which the people over there don't value enough to fight for themselves? There is no excuse for that lack of self interest or self value, it's not our responsibility.

In closing to this little letter I would just like to ask the people of Haliburton and all of Ontario not to be led astray, by false promises "weapons of mass distraction" and take a look around at what is happing now! What has happened in the past, and please take some time to think about what you think is going to happen in the future. Please, for your own sake ask the questions that you want to know the answers to. Once you get through all the red tape that surrounds our province and country as a whole, you might even find an answer.

Good luck

David Hall
Eagle Lake, ON ■

Dear Editor:

"Unfair and disrespectful to … Mr. Gerald Bain."

Dear Editor:

I have just returned from the Algonquin Highlands Candidates meeting. Never in all my years of attending such meetings have I seen or heard such blatant questions to only one candidate that were allowed at this meeting, especially as the candidate was not in attendance. It was unfair and disrespectful to the candidate, Mr. Gerald Bain.

It is my opinion that this attack was set up to make sure questions were not given to the other candidates running, knowing where they stood on the Airport question.

Gerald Bain kept this township in the black from the day he became clerk until he retired, blaming him for what has gone on in the past few years is uncalled for: all thos that participated in the sham should be thoroughly ashamed of themselves.

I have always been proud to live in this township and of the people that live, cottage and work here. I felt ashamed of what I heard and saw last Sunday afternoon: we are a better people than that.

Ann Barker
Stanhope ■

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Dear Editor:

Who's right and who's wrong?

Dear Editor:

On page 13 of the September 2nd issue [of the County Voice] it is stated that "those with a RR#2 address will have a K0M 1J2 postal code."

Canada Post tells me (I had a RR#2 address) that my new postal code will be K0M 1J1.

The question I now have who is incorrect your writer Jerry Grozelle or Canada Post?

Regards

Jim Gillanders ■

"What will they do with the stalled airport project?"

Dear Editor

If you attended the all-candidates meeting at the Stanhope Community Centre, Sept 19 you probably met the 2010-14 Algonquin Highlands Council. They are Reeve, Carol Moffatt (acclaimed) and Councillors, Ward 1 Gordon Henderson (acclaimed), Ward 2 Lisa Barry and Liz Danielsen and Ward 3 Gary Schultz.

Notice that two of the five are acclaimed. In 2006, two also were acclaimed and in 2003, three of five were acclaimed including the reeve, Eleanor Harrison, in that case.

I have always thought that the municipality could spend its money in better ways than extending their airport but actually I don't vote in Algonquin Highlands. That said, there was considerable talk about consultation '24/7', referenda and town hall meetings to avoid a recurrence of their present problem. The ultimate consultation exercise, of course, is an election properly engineered.

In all three elections cited before there were seven candidates for five positions. With some changes none of the positions need have been acclaimed. In a more competitive arrangement perhaps priorities would have been more clearly set out. You might have expected a candidate championing economic development, for example, to be attracted to an airport expansion especially with senior governments waving money around and the electorate relatively uninvolved.

Here is another problem for the new council. What will they do with stalled airport project? Can they arrive at the best solution without the input of advocates for the expansion at the table to question and propose alternatives?

Regards

Jim Milne
Haliburton ■

Haliburton County Community Care Van Service

Dear Editor:

I have been riding the Community Care Van for almost a year now and since I am going to be away for a few weeks and Driver Paul, will have left Haliburton for his new home by the time I return, this is the time to say a personal thank you, as well thanks on behalf of the riders from Tory Hill to Irondale, to Paul and to Community Care's Trip Co-ordinator, Judy (457-2941)

The van runs the route I travel on both Tuesday and Wednesday each week and I have used it both days, sometimes in the same week. I am picked up at my door at 10:00 a.m., dropped off wherever I need to go in Haliburton about 10:30 a.m. and we leave for home about 12:30 p.m and are each delivered home to her/his own door. Among the groups that I travel with are two seniors who use the lift chair and one disabled person over the age of 18. Some of the places I have been taken "off Main Street" are: Haliburton United Church, Sears, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School and the Family Medical Clinic. The cost for this service is $5.00 round-trip. Thank you Community Care and Trip co-ordinator, Judy.

As for Driver Paul, the folks at Community Care could not have chosen a more suitable candidate for this job. He is unfailingly polite, caring and most helpful, even during a few trying circumstances. THANK YOU, Paul.

Elva V. Bates
Gooderham ■

"Animal welfare is not a joking matter."

Dear Editor:

The remarks about the issue of feral cats, attributed to Mr Bartholomew, candidate for Reeve in Highlands East, in your report on the Sept 11th candidates meeting, were insensitive and seem to betray a lack of knowledge of the seriousness of the local issues in our township. We may be a small township, but issues of concern to our citizens, even smaller ones, deserve to be taken seriously.

Animal welfare is not a joking matter. The question of what to do about the local feral cats has caused a considerable amount of stress to all Highlands East residents involved. This includes both the citizens trying to help the cats, and the people who are being bothered by them.

After much consideration the present council has adopted a solution long recommended by experienced animal welfare workers. The cats will be treated humanely and removed to an area where they can be looked after and can't annoy anyone. Relocating and managing the cats costs less than would be spent trying to trap them, and is more effective in controlling their numbers. It also stops family pets being trapped and destroyed by accident as was said to be happening.

The current council should be commended for taking an action that is affordable for this township and should satisfy people on both sides of the feral cat question.

Feral cats will be around as long as irresponsible, cruel and criminal people continue to dump them for others to look after. Mr. Bartholomew needs to understand that this township may not be able to afford an animal shelter system, like big towns and cities he is more familiar with take for granted, but this does not mean that we do not care about animal welfare. I'm afraid to ask Mr Bartholomew what he wants to do with the feral cats.

Barb Schofield
Wilberforce ■

Masonic Child Identification Clinic Results

Dear Editor:

We are pleased to announce that children participated in the Masonic Child Identification Clinic held on September 18. We wish to acknowledge the following people and businesses for their assistance in making our program a success: Rick Lowes of Moose FM, Gail Stelter and Nick Bronson of Canoe FM, Courtney Griffin of The County Voice, Darren Lum of the Haliburton Echo, Dental Hygienists Caitlin Read, Shelley Van Nood, Christine Marsh, Lisa Stoughton, Dentist Dr. Ed Smolen, Nancy Watson, Lee-Anne Goodall for assisting us on computers, and lastly, a special appreciation to all the parents for taking time from their busy schedules to have their children participate in the program.

Hopefully, no family will ever need to use the resources that we provided, but if the need should arise, we believe that the information we furnished will be instrumental in the recovery of your child.

The Masons of North Entrance Lodge express to you our sincerest gratitude.

Roger Hillier ■

Trent Severn System meets Pivot Lake

Dear Editor:

Once again, thank you to the Trent-Severn system (Parks Canada) for flooding our property again this year. Our small lake can tolerate one log raised at the damn but two are devastating. The river banks (Redstone) are eroded and the lake shore is washed away leaving our yard flooded. We went all summer with rocks showing in the river and in the last two weeks the water has risen by three feet. We need to have a better system for letting water out and not rely on someone sitting in an office deciding how to control this.

M.Watson
Pivot Lake ■

"Deepest sympathies to the family..."

Dear Editor,

As we on Moore Lake remain shocked and saddened by the accidental death on our lake this week I would like to express deepest sympathies to the family and friends for their loss. To the hero that risked his own life to try to save a life I applaud your bravery. For the future I would respectfully suggest that the Municipality equip all public boat launches with life saving equipment.

I do not know if it could have changed the outcome of this tragedy, but it seems to me that it is the very least we can do to enhance the safety at boat launches. I would also suggest that a By-law be drafted and passed to make tampering with such emergency equipment a severe offence with a significant fine to act as a deterrent.

Richard Bradley
Moore Falls ■

Golf Fore The Cure Raises $14,000: Thanks to Donors

Dear Editor

I just wanted to personally thank each of you for your generous donation towards our 2010 Golf Fore the Cure tournament held here at The Pinestone Resort. I was truly overwhelmed by the response from over 100 sponsors including Corporate, local businesses and individuals. I realize and appreciate that many of you are asked repeatedly to support various fundraising events and how difficult this can be, especially on small businesses within our community.

Through your generosity, combined with that of the participants and volunteers, we raised over $14,000 this year. Last year we raised over $10,000. This money, combined with that being raised nationally will hopefully enable Golf Ontario and The Canadian Cancer to reach this year's national objective of $950,000. All money raised here will be directed to remain in our local community to raise breast cancer awareness and support those families afflicted by this dreadful disease.

Once again, we could not have done it without you and your support of this cause is greatly appreciated.

With kind regards
Gail Kivela
Pro Shop Manager
Pinestone Resort ■

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Algonquin Highlands candidates questioned

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either through an interview on Canoe FM or through the local newspapers.

Ward Two Candidate Liz Danielsen was asked about her 12 years as councilor and deputy mayor in the North West Territories and how it has prepared her to be on council in Algonquin Highlands.

"As an assistant town manager, I had a lot of experience researching by-laws, reviewing community plans, like the official plan here. I've reviewed and written zoning by-laws, so I'm fairly familiar with legislation, how to follow it, and even how to prepare it. Right here in Algonquin Highlands and throughout Haliburton County, my work with the County Voice has required that I do a lot of research and I'm one of those people that likes to try, to the best of my ability, to get it right," she said.

Lisa Barry, also running in Ward Two, was asked: "How would you expect to bring an attitude that fosters a new way of doing things on the council?"

She responded: "I think because I'm so young, I see things from a fresh perspective. When I moved back to the area, I lived with my parents so I saw things from a handicap point of view and a retired point of view. As a new business owner, I understand how to manage finances and as a new parent I'm looking, not so much at things that affect just my generation, but future generations.

The candidates were asked if they would support the use of a referendum for such important issues as the airport. All of the candidates, with one exception, replied that they would support a referendum for major issues. Future
Reeve Carol Moffatt was the only one who responded negatively to that question.

"Well, you won't like my answer, "Moffatt began. "Absolutely not. The reason people want referendums is because they are angry, they're upset. They are time consuming, they are expensive, and they are not cost effective. You want a referendum because you feel you haven't been represented and now's the time to change that. So, referendums, in my opinion, no way."

Moffatt was asked about "in camera" meetings and why the public is not privy to the discussions therein.

She replied that all of the in camera meetings have been legitimate and that they may be in regard to reasons of confidentiality, issues dealing with personnel, finances, identifiable individuals, and legal counsel, among others. "The public sees them as secret meetings," she said. "I know there's been a lot of concern about that.

"All those meetings have been required. They are legitimate, they are legal and if you think they are not, I would ask you to contact our clerk and take her on personally about that. You will be shaking in your boots by the response because she takes her job very seriously and often times will consult with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs before we go into an in camera session to make sure it is on the up and up.

"We're just obeying the law and we take that very seriously."

Fay Martin asked each of the candidates what they would do for affordable housing within the municipality.

Acclaimed Ward One Candidate Gordon Henderson: "During my Haliburton County Development Corporation involvement I saw housing issues come up in some of the discussions we had regarding funding. I don't have an answer in my head about how I would approach that at this point but I do recognize that housing assistance is a standard that needs to be clearly identified. The housing aspect, I have an interest in, but I don't have an answer for."

Acclaimed Reeve Carol Moffatt answers voters questions

Barry: "I think it is a concern that should be advocated by the municipality. When you think about affordable housing, it's also important to think about transportation." She noted that the geography of Haliburton County would have to be taken into consideration and transportation is linked to the issue. She suggested affordable housing should be located close to support systems such as health services and to amenities. "There are a lot of issues around affordable housing. I don't know what we can do financially at the municipal level but being an advocate for it is a good starting point.

Danielsen: "There are some things that we can do and I think there are some unique circumstances here, recognizing that there is an older population in the area and a lot of people are living on fixed incomes. Housing is something that needs to be thought of in a serious way. I'm not sure Algonquin Highlands is the most suitable location for seniors' housing or affordable housing, that's just a practicality of the area. There's nothing stopping the council from working with county council and keeping a close eye on work that's being done there at that level. We can support home care and stay-at-home programs that are in the area in as big a way as we can.

Ward Three Candidate Gary Schultz: "I'm afraid I'm not going to be able to directly respond to that, not being knowledgeable in that respect. Most of the activity on affordable housing, if I'm not mistaken, is done at the county level and Algonquin Highlands I would assume, supports that initiative and works cooperatively with them." He said affordable housing goes hand in hand with supporting people on fixed incomes. "There are things the local council can do to suppress the cost of living, keeping those taxes in line, affordable and balanced. I would support any initiative that comes in from the county level."

Former councilor Ann Barker asked the Ward 2 candidates what they would do for the rest of the township and for the whole community. She pointed out that they represent everybody in the whole township as well as their own ward and the airport is just one issue among many that need to be addressed.

Barry: "I would not be getting into politics if it was strictly one issue that I had an interest in. I'm interested in protecting the environment and that covers every ward. Part of that is looking into long term plans and strategic planning for sewage systems, septic inspections and our dumps that are filling up. Besides the environment, protecting the heritage and culture that everybody is happy to come up here and enjoy [is important]."

Danielsen: "I want to state unequivocally that I am not a one-issue candidate. That's been one of the biggest issues [the airport expansion] and one of the biggest concerns over the last several years so it's come to the forefront and it's taken away everyone's ability to get back to the regular business of the municipality. I've been involved in politics in one way or another, even in my work, over the last 30 years, so I understand the need for a broad perspective."

Candidates were asked how they would listen to the people who elected them and receive people's concerns.

Henderson: "I believe strongly in people's ability to communicate these days, thanks to things like the internet. I want everyone to know I can be reached in that fashion. As councilors, we need to be out in the public more with where we hold our meetings. I hope they won't all be held right here. I hope some of them can be held in areas such as Dorset from time to time. My agenda is to try and hear what people are saying and move it forward to the council so we can make decisions that benefit all of us.

Barry: "I agree that the internet is a great way for people to contact the councilors individually. In the month or so since I've put my name forward I've received about a dozen e-mails from people asking what I represent." She said she would be accessible by attending events in which the public takes part. "I'm a volunteer in the community, a member of the lake association; I'm part of the Art Hive; I have my own studio, so I'm accessible on a day to day basis.

Danielsen: "This is a responsibility that I take very seriously and I would expect to be available to constituents 24/7. If somebody has a concern and they want to call me and talk to me about it, I'm available. My phone number will be readily available, my e-mail will be available and if I have to come to your home and see what the problem is, I will do that. When it comes to the regular day to day business, people don't want to come to the meetings." Responding to a question about town hall meetings, Danielsen said, "they are usually only effective when there is something really big going on. I'm more than willing to meet any time the public wants."

Schultz: "You raised a good question there. It speaks to the heart of the matter and that's communication." Regarding Danielsen's 24/7 availability, Schultz said, "The seven, yes, but the 24, I wouldn't go that far. Town hall meetings are something I had in mind. One of the ways to address lack of communication is through town hall meetings -- unofficial town hall meetings and what I mean by that is you don't have more than two councilors there, you don't have a quorum, you don't have council staff, you arrange them on an ad hoc basis. Ninety-five per cent of the people on the electoral roll don't reside here year-round. We have a major problem getting our issues and points across to these people." ■

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Eco Trivia

Q: This is a Milk Snake, can you guess if it's poisonous or not?

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Students embark on sustainable project

New Fleming program to result in revamped Haliburton museum

Sustainable renovations students tear off the museum's old siding.

■ By Mark Arike

A new certificate program at Fleming's Haliburton campus is bringing more students to the area, and the work of those students will result in a completely restored, more energy efficient local landmark.

This fall, eight students have signed up to the 15-week, compressed Sustainable Renovations program that has been designed to create trades people of the future.

"The time is now to be getting into a program like this," said Joshua Thornton, one of two instructors in the program.

Modelled on Fleming College's Sustainable Building Design and Construction program concept, the program provides students in-class instruction as well as hands-on work at a 'real world' renovation project.

This year, the Haliburton Highlands Museum was the first selected project for the students to undertake.

"The college received a number of applications from various individuals, private home owners and other institutions. Then we assessed those applications for their fit to our program," Thornton said of the process used to select a renovation project.

Closed since Aug. 14, the museum, located in Glebe Park, is a 32-year-old building.

"There are some indoor air quality issues, as well as structural and insulation issues that we're seeking to address," Thornton said.

During their first week of classes, students were spending time in the classroom, gaining some of the theoretical and practical knowledge needed to understand the building science, and green principles that they will implement.

Class time is also spent on understanding the administrative aspects involved in the field, such as permits and contracts, and building codes.

"They're going to leave with a good starting point for construction skill sets," said other instructor Pat Savard.

And since the course is so jam-packed with in-class material and on-site work, students need to demonstrate an intense commitment to the program.

"We're not uploading information to them in kilobytes per second, it's more like gigabytes per second," laughed Thornton. "For those 15 weeks they live, eat and sleep building."

Both long-time builders, Thornton and Savard are new to Fleming, but they come with teaching experience.

"I've been teaching natural building and building workshops for the past six years," said Thornton, who owns his home-building business.

"I've been a training lead hand for renovation companies in the past, and went on to start my own company in Vancouver," Savard said.

On average, students will spend 32 hours per week on-site at the museum, eight hours in class and numerous hours on after school studies.

Two weeks ago, the students made their first trip to the museum to start their work, which included the removal of old siding and denailing.

The project, which will also make the museum wheelchair accessible, is expected to be finished by mid-December. Funding is being provided by Dysart et al's development reserve.

Depending upon students' backgrounds, possible job opportunities and careers graduates can pursue include: renovation/general contractor, home or building inspector, construction manager and energy advisor – to name a few.

As word of the program continues to spread, Thornton predicts that applications will dramatically rise next year.

"I bet enrolment will be at least double of what it is now," he said.

George Morellato of Bradford goes to work.

According to a recent press release issued by the Haliburton School of the Arts, the new program is cited as one of the reasons for increased enrolment at the campus.

"Our new Sustainable Renovations program has successfully launched…" said principal and dean Sandra Dupret in the release.

This September the campus welcomed 85 full-time students, a 35 per cent increase over this time last year.

The expansion of arts programs were also attributed to the growth.

As for why it's such a valuable program to those interested in building in a more environmentally friendly way, Thornton cites the course structure as a key ingredient.

"These grads will have a more solid foundation than grads of most other building programs," he explained. "That's because we're integrating natural and sustainable building techniques. They learn how to use those building materials and the theory behind using building materials and systems. They begin to see the value in the building as an organism."

To find out more about this new program visit www.flemingcollege.ca and see the full-time programs section. ■

Hello Monica

I'm back!

What was supposed to be a six-month Graphic Design/ Multimedia course turned into almost two years in Leslieville, Toronto. I got a job at a small company in Scarborough doing design, sales, marketing and office administration.

Financially, however, it didn't make sense to be paying for an apartment in Toronto and a home in Eagle Lake, so Steve (my fiancé) and I decided it was time to come home.

When I heard Jack was the publisher at The County Voice, it made perfect sense to apply for a sales position. I worked for Jack 10 years ago when he owned the Minden Tmes. He knew I was capable of handling the position and I knew what kind of boss I would be working for (he is the best).

I love being home and I am so excited to work in this community again for the best paper ever.

Monica. ■

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Rotary president Richard Van Nood, left, presents the HHHSF's John Bauman, Dale Walker and Peter Oyler with $15,000 from the Rotary Club of Haliburton.

$15,000 from Rotary to HHHSF

■ By Mark Arike

Funds raised through this past summer's Rotary car draw are still pouring into the community.

In a special presentation at the Pinestone Resort on Thursday, Sept. 16, members of the Rotary Club of Haliburton presented Dale Walker, executive director of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF); HHHSF chair Peter Oyler; and board member John Bauman with a $15,000 cheque.

"I think this shows that they're [Rotary] true leaders in the community and that they recognize health services as a major part of the community," Walker told The Voice. "It's wonderful that they step up."

The $15,000 contribution is one of five installments that the local Rotary Club of Haliburton has committed to handing over to the HHHSF. Funds raised have gone to help pay for Picture Archiving Communication Systems (PACS), stationary ceiling lifts and other necessary equipment in Haliburton and Minden's health care facilities.

Since 1988, the Rotary Club of Haliburton has donated a total of $221,000 towards equipment and technology for local hospitals and health care facilities. In addition, the club has assisted the HHHSF through the Rotary Charity Golf Classic since 2004 – an event that has raised a net amount of $323,000. ■

Chamber AGM cont'd

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left the Chamber with a "significant deficit. It's something we're struggling with."

However, Lawrence was also quick to reassure members that the situation would be temporary, and that those hirings were both needed and beneficial.

"The board has a plan in place to eliminate the deficit," Lawrence said, adding that it would probably take more than one year, and could mean an increase in annual membership fees.

Bancroft Chamber president George Offshack was present for the meeting and he was quick to point out to the Haliburton members that Bancroft missed their projection numbers for their 2009-2010 fiscal year as well. "It was a difficult year to grow a chamber," Offshack said.

The Haliburton Chamber membership did grow significantly in that timeframe and Lawrence was quick to commend his staff for progress in that area. Lawrence is now projecting a zero balance for the upcoming fiscal year, and added that the feedback from the board of directors also remains positive.

Manager Maria Micallef stated that the Chamber is back on track to meet that goal.

"In the year to date, we're over our projected income and under in our expenses, so we're on track," Micallef said. Lawrence pointed out with a quick grin, that that meant they were then "over-track".

Micallef agreed that the year has been challenging, but also exciting since they've been adding an average of four to five members each month with a new total of 358 members. New initiatives for the year included a social media presence on Facebook and Twitter, a new website which now includes a volunteer page, tender postings and member job postings, a new member-to-member discount plan, a newsletter, and an upcoming Disney service training initiative planned for November of this year.

Micallef said the Chamber website is now averaging 1,900 hits a month, and they are continuing with a plan to print 1,000 copies of a business directory which will be available in January, 2011. The Chamber is also hosting the Fall Classic Golf Tournament at Haliburton Highlands Golf Club on October 2, and their fifth annual Business and Community Achievement Awards will be held on January 22, 2011.

Member Dennis Casey outlined a membership survey he's completing for the Chamber with the hope that the new statistics will help the Chamber advocate more effectively and be in an improved position to access outside funding.

After the business portion of the meeting, the members discussed the possible membership fee hike – the current annual membership fee in Haliburton is $162 – and Sally Moore, owner of Sunnyrock Bed and Breakfast expressed concerns about losing smaller operators. Moore suggested the Chamber change its fee structure to be relative to income instead of employees – however Lawrence pointed out that some business owners are reluctant to release those numbers to the Chamber, but that they could possibly look at a subsidy program.

Micallef pointed out that many smaller business owners use an established quarterly payment plan so the fee is spread throughout the year, and Casey added that compared to the services the Chamber was offering five years ago, the current fee is "pure value."

The discussion then turned to chronic issues with GPS mapping systems in Haliburton County. Dave Bradley from South Wind Motel and Campground describing the number of people who turn up in his driveway to ask for directions. When other members laughed, Bradley said it's a real concern, because by the time the visitors ask for directions, they're "frustrated and pissed off." He said most of the lost visitors seem to be looking for the Pinestone Resort, and that the main source of confusion is between County Roads 121 and 21 – people get off of Hwy. 35 onto 121, expecting to find the Pinestone Resort.

"I feel like just telling them to turn around and go home, you can't get there from here," Bradley said.

Micallef said that other tourism operators have also complained about GPS and Google mapping systems, and that she'd approached the County to hopefully address the issue, but according to Micallef, the County can't come up with a workable contract with the companies who create the software. Micallef said there is a fix, but it's time-consuming and needs to be done on an individual basis. Another member suggested Bradley tell the visitors to turn off the GPS and hand out county maps from the tourism office.

"I hand them out every day," Bradley said.

During the meeting, the Chamber also elected four new members to its board of directors: Bruce Ballentine, owner of Ballentine Marketing, John Bauman, publisher of Haliburton Echo-Minden Times, Jane Isbister, operations manager of Wilderness Medical Associates and Mike Janetakes, owner of mj Creative Services. All of the new directors are fairly new chamber members, and Lawrence said it's great to have that new enthusiasm on the board.

"Once people start seeing the value of their membership, they want to participate," Lawrence said. ■

New Directors: Jane Isbister of Wilderness Medical Associates, John Bauman of Haliburton Echo-Minden Times, Bruce Ballentine of Ballentine Marketing, and Mike Janetakes of mj Creative Services.

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Pool proposal dominates Dysart forum

■ By Liz Danielsen

There are many serious issues facing the Dysart et al Council and a long line of candidates ready and willing to tackle them, but the question of where candidates stood on the County Pool Initiative dominated last Saturday afternoon's all candidates forum. When it wasn't the pool, residents were directing many of their questions at the four candidates for deputy reeve.

Over 200 people filled the great hall at Fleming College on Saturday afternoon for the forum hosted by local media and moderated by Jim Blake.

Candidates for Deputy Reeve were first to offer their introductory statements and incumbent Bill Davis started things off by stressing his 22 years of municipal and County Council experience. Davis, who said it would be foolhardy to think that any candidate could be all things to all people given the complexity of many issues, spoke of enhancing the quality of life for all residents, supporting local business, youth opportunities, the need for housing and the importance of the tourism industry.

Martin Lacey referred residents to his website and then directed his energies to speaking about the need for a Haliburton County community centre/recreation complex and his concerns about traffic congestion primarily in the Village of Haliburton.

Jerry Walker, who has lived in the county and been a business owner/operator for over 30 years also talked about his previous two terms on Council and his service to volunteer organizations. He voiced considerable concern about waste management issues facing the municipality and promoted the idea of an incinerator that would generate hydro. Walker said that he supported arts and culture and spoke of his desire to work with community service providers, of the need for more affordable housing, recreational planning, minimizing tax increases and the need to be fair to everyone, whether seasonal or year round.

Janis Parker talked about the need to protect the local landscape, lakes, wetlands and forests as well as the economy for the benefit of future generations, allowing them to live and play in Haliburton. She spoke of the importance of business development and the creative economy throughout the County. "The Village is changing and we have much to be proud of," she said and spoke of the need to attract cultural events and promote Haliburton as the best location for innovative business. Parker also addressed the importance of protecting everyone's tax dollar and of having a strong eye on the bottom line. She promised to ensure that all voices are heard.

Ward 1 candidate Jim Henwood spoke of his desire to make a difference. He emphasized his involvement with numerous organizations during his 16 years in business and talked about the need for recreation for kids, improved housing opportunities, creating opportunities for decent paying year round employment and for expanded high speed internet. "I'm committed to the community, attentive to your concerns and an approachable team player."

Incumbent Councillor Andrea Roberts spoke of her energy and enthusiasm, and their value combined with her council experience and business acumen. Roberts talked about her volunteer work, her willingness to learn and take training and her involvement on committees of Council. She talked about the importance of taxpayers receiving value for their money, the need for employment and the value of local volunteers.

Ward 2 candidate John Smith said he had worked with a lot of people over the years and had lived in Haliburton all of his life. Smith acknowledged that he didn't have much to say and was just 'in this to start.'

Dennis Casey also talked about his knowledge of the area as a lifetime resident. "Like most of us, I believe in the importance of giving back to the community where you make your living."

Casey spoke of his volunteer activities and reminded people that he had served on Council in the past in Ward 1. "I won't stand here and promise to change the world because I alone cannot do that, but I do promise and commit to deal with issues and changes that arise in a fair and equitable manner." Casey talked about the importance of maintaining the 320 kilometres of municipal roads and assured everyone that he would work hard to keep tax rates down.

With no Ward 3 candidates present, the Ward 4 candidates were up next. Susan Norcross said that her experience as a human resources and office manager overseeing a large staff and budgets worth hundreds of thousands provided her with a strong background for the position. She spoke of her community involvement and said that she would be readily available to residents. Norcross said that her goals included seniors housing and supporting small business.

Andrew Paul, Haliburton born and bred, spoke of his community service, particularly in sports and recreation and said that he would like to improve on the area's depressed economy and that fact that many jobs are low income and seasonal in nature. Paul spoke of the value of his experience on the County's roads department and in by-law enforcement. He stressed the need to broaden the tax base, improve employment opportunities and protect existing services.

Val Kraftchick, a fifth generation Haliburtonian, spoke to family issues and said she had a no nonsense approach to life which she felt would serve her well. She also talked about the need for year round full time employment in the municipality. She spoke of the need for a strategy to promote industry and to improve the skill sets of youth who found themselves in trouble far too often. She stressed the value of a recreation complex with a pool and how it would support residents of all ages.

Vying for the Ward 5 seat, Keith Hodgson, who was instrumental in setting up the Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council and sits on the Advisory Committee to the Trent Severn Waterway, talked about the importance of improving cell phone service, housing of all sorts and protecting the natural environment. He said he would be a strong productive participant on Council. Hodgson also talked about the importance of being ready for an aging population and the need to encourage housing for seniors.

Walt McKechnie, retired hockey player, talked about his dream to own and operate a business in Haliburton, something that he had been successful at with McKecks. McKechnie said that he is dedicated to the community and that he had learned to be a good team player. "Your concerns are mine."

McKechnie spoke of the need to reduce tax increases, improve on existing services, to follow through on various development agreements in place that would provide housing opportunities. He spoke of Haliburton being a destination for snowmobiles and the need to make ATVing work as well, as a new and growing sport. He also said that he supported a pool as long as the community could afford it. "I have always supported and promoted Haliburton and now I seek your support."

On behalf of Mike Jaycock, Sue Black directed the audience to www.mikejaycock.com and read comments from Jaycock who wrote of his desire to improve communications between the Council and ratepayers and of being an advocate for Ward 5.

The questions from the floor were then entertained and Fay Martin got things off to a start with a question for the candidates for deputy reeve on affordable housing. Davis reported that there was a plan in place at the County level that might be delivered during 2011 if funding is available. He also hinted at a project that could get underway in the municipality by 2012.

Lacey spoke of the success of Habitat for Humanity projects which stressed commitment by community as a whole. Walker spoke of the need to integrate all age groups into the community and Parker talked about the municipality's support of Places for People, adding that she would continue to support similar projects.

A question was raised about the problem of pollution by geese and a suggestion that the municipality should assume responsibility for pollution of private property, given high waterfront taxes. Parker suggested it wasn't an immediate fix and said Council continued to seek solutions. She suggested shoreline planting to deter the geese. Walker and Lacey suggested that dogs would help but Davis said he would continue to knock on the doors of the feds that have control through migratory bird legislation.

Then the question of the pool and candidates support of a county wide project was raised by committee Chair Gay Bell.

Walker pledged to work with the committee to get a study done.

Over 200 voters attended the Dysart all candidates forum

Lacey, a strong proponent of a recreation complex that includes a pool, pledged to have the first draft of a business plan for presentation to all four municipalities initiated within 30 days of being elected and completed within 60 days.

Davis said he wasn't against the project, but voiced concern about the difficulty of funding something of that magnitude. To Davis, the project was something that had to be handled at the County level. Parker said she was definitely in favour of a pool and even offered to coach the master swimming program, but she also said, "We must be able to afford it and it will have to be county driven."

Questions were asked about addressing seniors' issues, about providing youth with opportunities and about ensuring that Dysart was a healthy community as a whole.

Only one true gauntlet was thrown down, by Councillor Derek Knowles to his co-Councillor Janis Parker. Knowles suggested that Parker's promotional material had inferred that Dysart's voice was not heard at County Council. He asked how she had reached that conclusion. Parker simply said Deputy Reeve Davis had resigned from the Rail Trail Committee and no one was on the Library Board. She added that she had sufficient energy to be a strong second voice at the County level and a willingness to be involved.

The candidates for deputy reeve were also asked about key elements for establishing a business development strategy. Walker stressed the need for community involvement and establishing environmentally friendly industry. Parker talked about the need to embrace the creative economy, expanding existing industry and concentrating on small business.

Lacey proposed that high school students study the importance of industry, employment, education and growth in the community and stressed the need to attract young families. Davis said, "We need a council in place that looks ahead, is agile, reactive and can create a plan."

Donald Smith from Ward 2 commented that the management and administration of the Rail Trail seemed to be falling apart and asked the candidates for deputy reeve for their suggestions.

Davis said he would take public concerns to the table, but admitted that he was unsure how the County would handle the Rail Trail from this point on. Lacey admitted to having a lack of understanding of Smith's concerns. Walker said that the Rail Trail should remain intact but also said that there should be opportunities to share the trail with ATV's and other motorized users. To Walker there were other opportunities to create walking trails.

Parker said that the Rail Trail was one of the greatest cultural assets in the County and she would like to be involved in its future. Parker, who said she was not a great advocate of motorized use of the trail, acknowledged that there were a lot of associations that could prove her wrong.

Finally, each of the candidates made their closing statements, hammering their points home and thanked people for both organizing the event and coming to listen.

Harcourt candidate Tammy Donaldson and incumbent Steve Pogue as well as Ward 4 candidate Bob Nichol were unable to attend the forum. ■

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Firefighter Olympic Photos

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Dysart firefighters competed as a team on Sunday in a bucket relay race to fill the barrel at the top of the scaffolding – the Algonquin Highlands team took top honours in the timed race.

Above: Hayden Thorn, 3 years, got in some firefighter training with his dad firefighter Adam on Sunday. Adam volunteers for Stanhope Station 80 with the Algonquin Highlands Fire Department and the pair were at Head Lake Park on Sunday when Adam participated in the annual Firefighter Games.

Left: Adam Pavlinic, a volunteer with the Algonquin Highlands Fire Department, participated in a challenging obstacle course which involved shooting targets with water, running and dragging a 200-pound dummy during the Firefighter Games on Sunday at Head Lake Park in Haliburton. His department took home top honours at the games.

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Masons bring Child ID Clinic to Haliburton

Dr. Ed Smolen and mom Karra Wesley try to coax 21-month-old Aurora to "open wide" to have a dental impression done of her teeth. ■ **Photo by Laura Redman**

The Masons of the North Entrance Lodge in Haliburton village offered a successful Child Identification clinic on Saturday at the lodge with 54 children participating in the program. The C.H.I.P. Ontario program offers parents the opportunity to photograph, video, fingerprint and do a dental impression of their child with information collected on a CD to help in the aid of recovering lost or missing children. The program is funded by the District Masonic Lodges & the Grand Lodge of Canada and supporting partners. ■

Algonquin Highlands Ward 2 candidate profiles

■ By Jerry Grozelle

Gerald Bain

Former Algonquin Highlands CAO Gerald Bain seeks a seat on the other side of the table

Former CAO of Algonquin Highlands Gerald Bain, who retired in 2005, has decided to ask voters for their support as councilor of the Stanhope Ward of Algonquin Highlands. "As a result of my 35 years in the municipal administration, hopefully, I can contribute to a new council that will be relatively inexperienced, I would think and provide some stabilization to that new council," he said.

Bain said he made the decision to run for councilor as opposed to reeve as a result of four or five months of consideration. "I'm retired now and I'm enjoying it and I just wasn't sure just how much of an adjustment I wanted to make to the life I'm having now. I decided I didn't want to commit the time involved in a reeveship, if I should have been successful. But I'm quite willing to sacrifice the time as a councilor."

He said he has been thinking of running for council since February or March of this year. "There were a number of factors that entered into my decision," he said. "I've been concerned with some of the issues that are being addressed by the present council. I haven't been totally satisfied with the way some of the issues have been dealt with."

Family and community support has been encouraging for the former employee of the township.

"I have full support of my family with regard to my decision," he said. Community support has been very encouraging as well. "I was overwhelmed, to be honest, with calls from ratepayers encouraging me to become involved. I'd like to personally thank all those supporters. I look forward to earning further respect of those supporters as their representative on council."

Bain sees a number of issues that will have to be dealt with over the next four years. "Certainly, the airport will be an ongoing issue," he said. "I think there are some issues with regard to waste management and sewage lagoon facilities, etc. I think that the new council will need to take a long look at the financial picture of the municipality. I look forward to addressing all areas of any of those issues."

Bain began his career with Stanhope Township in 1970 as the clerk-treasurer, a position he held for 15 years. In 1985 he became CAO of the township and in 2000 when the amalgamation of Stanhope and the Township of Sherborne et al took place he became the CAO of the newly formed Township of Algonquin Highlands. During the amalgamation process, Bain was responsible for the transition of the amalgamation of all services offered by each municipality and integrating those services. "It was a heck of challenge but I like to think it turned out not all that badly," he said. "It was relatively smooth."

He retired in April of 2005.

Bain was born and raised in Haliburton County. He went to elementary school in West Guilford and attended Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. His only time away from the county was a seven-year stint working at General Motors in Oshawa, during which time he lived in Scarborough. He moved back when he got the job with Stanhope. "It was a good move," he said. "I took about half the wages I was making at The Motors, but I never did regret it." He said it is pretty hard to attach a dollar value to the lifestyle that he's enjoyed in Haliburton County.

The new council will need to regain the confidence of the ratepayers, in Bain's opinion. He said in regard to the airport there is a perception among some that the current council may not have been totally open in its communication. "I'm not sure whether that's right or wrong but the perception is there anyway," he said, adding that when such perception is present, it doesn't instill confidence or respect on either side.

"I felt badly that this council, because of the airport issue, has had to direct almost 100 per cent of its attention to that issue," Bain said. "And consequently when you're doing that, the other 85 per cent of the budget is being ignored." He said he is not being critical of council. He acknowledges that council must deal with that issue. It's just that they didn't have as much time to spend on all of the other issues.

"With that experience and the knowledge I have of the whole area, I feel that I should be able to make a contribution to the new council," he said.

"Unfortunately, I won't be able to attend the candidates meeting on the 19th," Bain said. "I'd like to express my regrets and disappointment in not being able to attend, however, I had a commitment for that weekend from four months ago. I will be happy to attend any future candidate meetings or meet with anyone individually or as a group, as requested." ■

Liz Danielsen

Danielsen says she offers a fresh perspective

Liz Danielsen is one of three people vying for a seat on Algonquin Highlands council in Ward 2.

Most people know Danielsen as The Voice's reporter of all things political – and otherwise – in Haliburton County. But how many know she has extensive experience in municipal politics? Danielsen is a 12-year veteran of municipal politics in the North West Territories, serving as municipal councilor and two terms as deputy mayor. She also has extensive knowledge of land administration and development, having worked a dozen years in that capacity, also in Canada's north-west.

"I have a passion for politics at the grassroots level," she said.

During her 24 years in the North West Territories, she also served as assistant town manager and development officer and she also did some private consulting for the government of NWT and sat as vice-chair of the NWT Liquor Licensing Board.

On the local scene, Danielsen is well aware of the issues affecting the municipalities in Haliburton County, having covered all of the four councils, as well as County council for The Voice for the past three years.

When it comes to airports, Danielsen has experience in that field as well, having worked for Transport Canada as assistant airport manager and airport clerk at a small airport.

Danielsen and her partner Jim Watson went to the North West Territories to take advantage of a job opportunity. They expected to stay for two years but ended staying for 24 years. "It offered us so many opportunities and chances for advancement," she said. "We really had some adventures there." But they decided to return to their roots and Jim's family in Haliburton County.

She says she gained a lot of good community skills in the NWT that she can apply here. She is a firm believer that public involvement is important in the decision-making process. She said she was encouraged to run for council in other municipalities but she felt her combination of acquired skills is better suited to Algonquin Highlands. Although she doesn't currently reside in Algonquin Highlands, she is legally qualified to run for office there. She says if she is elected she will do everything she possibly can to relocate to the municipality. "I'm really impressed with the area – the beauty of it." She said. She also likes the commitment to the environment that everyone in Algonquin Highlands seems

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Lisa Barry

Lisa Barry says she would bring a different perspective to council

Lisa Barry has the youthful perspective of a 30-something self employed business person, something she believes is an asset in the realm of municipal politics. She says she was encouraged to run for Algonquin Highlands by her uncle who was visiting from overseas. She said he is very involved in politics himself and during their discussions he raised the fact that very few young people get involved in local politics. He told her that as a founding member of the Art Hive and Maple Lake Artisans Collective she already has some of the necessary skills to be an effective member of municipal council.

"So, I talked to my friends and neighbours and everyone said, 'why don't you put your name in the hat,'" she said. "I've had excellent feedback and support." Barry's husband Matt Mihlik is very supportive of her decision to run for Algonquin Highlands council.

"My decision to run for the position of councilor of Ward 2 of Algonquin Highlands has not been made lightly or easily," Barry said. "My concern for community, the future of my new family, as well as an interest in the local decision making process, both as a business person and a ratepayer, have led to my decision."

Barry has an interest in all aspects of municipal politics from land severances to safe roads and community events. "A lot of the decisions are being made for the next generation," she said and as the mother of a five year-old son (Neil) she wants to be a part of the decision-making process that will affect him. "Becoming a parent, your life gets put on a back burner and the child is put on the front," she said.

"Right now I think I have a vantage point where I'm sitting because right now I'm helping to take care of my parents at an older age and I see the needs that they have, from a retired point of view. And then I see things from my point of view as someone in their thirties. I'm also looking at how things will affect my son as he's growing up. I think that is a real advantage."

Besides her involvement with the Collective, Barry is an active volunteer, working on the Stanhope Heritage Day celebrations. She is an educator in schools throughout the county and, as an active member of the Haliburton arts community she is part of the Haliburton County Studio Tour as well as a volunteer on the organizing committee. She has supported many community organizations by donating some of her work as fund-raising items. Organizations such as the Land Trust, the HHOA Fish Hatchery, and Canoe FM have benefited from her donations.

Barry says she is a potter who is dedicated to making objects that can enrich people's daily lives. "In my art and in business, I have learned that positive outcomes depend on proper planning and processes.

In all of her endeavours, Barry says she has been dedicated to being as informed as possible. "I'm never afraid to ask questions," she said. "I believe that informed and open discussion is the key to sensible, fair and successful actions.

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Highlands East – Municipal Summary

■ By Liz Danielsen

Building Problems Persist

Chief Building Official Randy Dunsmore was once again under the microscope during Highlands East September 14th Council Meeting. This just after the all candidates meeting in Gooderham where a number of candidates and incumbent Councillors voiced concerns about the process used by the Highlands East building department.

Councillor Gary Stoughton advised Dunsmore that he has had a lot of complaints about the time it was taking to get permits approved and inspections done. Stoughton said, "I'm not the only one getting complaints," and three other members of Council agreed.

Dunsmore advised Council that 106 permits had been issued this year which was slightly less than the previous year, 77 compliance letters had been issued and 445 site inspections conducted. Dunsmore said, "I've driven over 20,000 kilometres so you can see it's been a busy year. Twenty-two orders have also been issued for illegal buildings."

Deputy Reeve Jim Mackie commented that concerns about the building department would have taken up the major part of his Ward report. Mackie said, "I'm about to follow up on an e-mail from a builder. I've never been subject to this before. This seems to keep occurring. I have two builders in my ward that are very upset and several in (Partridge's) ward are also upset. The biggest complaint is 'no shows' and not being able to get inspections done."

Mackie acknowledged that the problem was not all the CBO's fault, but he also commented that none of the surrounding municipalities seem to be having the same problem.

Partridge said that she was primarily hearing concerns about the lack of communication during or after inspections, and Dunsmore said he would be approaching the contractors about any issues they have.

Councillor Donna Graham commented that she had complaints about completions and final inspections, but Dunsmore countered that a number of the files were years old. Partridge said, "That creates a problem of its own. If no inspection is done it creates a problem for the home owner and the municipality, particularly if there is no documentation."

Partridge went on to say that she felt badly about people who believed that they done things properly only to discover that the work did not pass inspection. Mackie commented that the previous CBO would have taken exception to her comments, and Dunsmore agreed that the previous CBO's documents were in good order.

Mackie then said, "This is not just one contractor. There is a list and there will likely be a class action lawsuit."

Pit Operation Continues to Disturb Residents

In response to concerns raised at a previous meeting by residents on Lewis Road and Colbourne Creek Road about crushing operations and dump truck traffic, Council sought legal advice about establishing a by-law to set some parameters for the operation. But according to the legal advice, with the passage of the new Aggregate Resources Act late last year, municipalities have little control over pits and quarries on private lands.

Councillor Suzanne Partridge asked if the Council should revisit the municipality's noise by-law. In response to CAO Sharon Stoughton-Craig's caution that changes to the noise by-law would have considerable impact on other businesses, Partridge said there was no harm in conducting a review.

For the benefit of the public, Stoughton-Craig explained that, according to advice from their lawyer, the ARA and the amended Municipal Act placed pits and quarried under provincial jurisdiction, leaving the municipality with little ability to restrict or control things. She commented that she would review the legislation to see what could be done about noise and dust pollution.

Partridge also suggested that the OPP be asked to have a greater presence. Despite a comment from Deputy Reeve Jim Mackie that a request to the OPP could be a double edged sword, Council passed a resolution asking the OPP to monitor the area and MTO to do spot checks on truck traffic.

Portable Restaurant No Slam Dunk

A request by Maryanne Leach to rezone a property on Highway 503 from a Restricted Zone to General Commercial raised a number of concerns during the public meeting held to consider the application.

Shane Leach, who is proposing to operate a portable style restaurant on the property, appeared on his mother's behalf to answer questions raised by both the Council and the public. Councillor Donna Graham declared a conflict on the matter and removed herself from the room.

Written comments from the County indicated that there were no serious concerns with the application, but that the owners would have to apply for a commercial entrance and parking would not be permitted off site.

Opposition to the application was received in the form of a letter from adjacent residents who raised concerns about traffic on an already busy highway and about the possibility of reduced property value given the proposed development of a 'drive through trailer.' The family wrote that they believed there would be increased risk of accidents and animal (bear) problems.

Leach reviewed his proposal, clarifying parking areas for overflow traffic, plans for landscaping and provisions that had been made to ensure that animals would not be attracted. He said that his business in Irondale the previous year had been very successful. Admitting that he had several problems with animals, Leach commented that the tidy bins he had researched and planned on putting in place would resolve those concerns

Leach said that he had been a chef for 20 years and he now wanted to set up his own business. He said he had a lot of supporters and he wasn't just proposing a diner. "This will be a niche to attract tourists to the area. I've had people coming from all over to try my food."

Leach also said he had a long range plan to build a full-fledged restaurant but the fire in Irondale had set him back. He spoke of his plans to acquire a truck that ran on the excess oil from his deep fryer and reported that MTO had indicated tentative approval of his commercial entrance.

Referring to concerns raised by the adjacent church about his customers parking in their lot, Leach said that he had more parking than they had and had planned for overflow parking. Leach also commented that his mother had owned the property for years and had never complained when church parking flowed over onto her property.

Deputy Reeve Mackie suggested that the Council consider dropping the speed limit through Gooderham to 50 kph and that discussions be held with the County's Director of Public Works.

Gooderham resident Chuck Viner then spoke on behalf of the Church and two other local families. Viner agreed that the food was excellent and wished Leach continued success, but said that he also wished he had picked another location. He reiterated the Church's concerns about traffic and parking and asked Leach about incidents with bears in the past. He suggested that it was an inappropriate venture in the planned location.

"You can take care of the garbage, but you can't destroy the smell of good cooking," Viner said.

Council agreed to consider all the concerns raised about the application and the public meeting was adjourned. ■

Liz Danielsen in Ward 2

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to consider a top priority.

She thinks that being from outside the municipality offers her the opportunity to bring a fresh perspective to the council.

The airport is one of the key issues the next council will have to deal with. "I've found the whole airport issue challenging," she said. "I've spent a lot of time looking into the airport, its operations and the financing behind it and because I've had previous airport experience, I found that somewhat intriguing." She said she has always been supportive of the airport rehabilitation project. "I've always thought it was important to look after existing infrastructure," she said. With regard to the expansion, she said. "I really thought an in-depth review of the expansion plan was needed. And that needs to be done with full public participation before any consideration is given to further airport growth."

Danielsen said the township of Algonquin Highlands and the members of municipal staff are in tune with community needs. "I was impressed with the operations there," she said. "The staff has done a lot of work on waste management initiatives. They seemed to be a step ahead of some of the other municipalities in waste management. The establishment of a well-managed water trails system and the trails program are something that the municipality could build on.

"I'm really impressed with what has been done there and what is being done," Danielsen said. "I like to work with people like that."

She says she is also really impressed with the level of commitment the people who live on the lakes within Algonquin Highlands have toward the protection of the lakes and the environment. "When I see them gathering together into the Coalition of Lake Associations, there's real strength there," she said. "There's some possibility of cooperation between the municipality and the lake associations." The lake plans that have been submitted by several lake associations for council's consideration when reviewing the municipality's Official Plan are an example she cites of that cooperation.

Sustainable employment and economic development are high on Danielsen's list of priorities as well. She said council must look to the future and set long term goals. "I can't emphasize enough the importance of doing strategic and long term planning," she said. 'I think that's a process that needs to be done with the public. It would be a good introduction for a new council and a good opportunity to reestablish some of the public's trust. I think there's a bit of a problem there. It's really unfortunate. The Algonquin Highlands Council has, in many ways, done a very good job for a long time. They just seemed to have a problem with the process when it came to the airport.

"I believe I have something to offer," Danielsen said. "Local politics is the foundation – where all politics begins." ■

Police Reports

TWO SEARCH WARRANTS EXECUTED

(Haliburton, ON.) – Officers from the O.P.P. Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau – Drug Enforcement Unit with assistance from Haliburton Highlands Detachment Officers executed two search warrants in The Municipality of Dysart et al, Haliburton County on September 15, 2010. The first search was conducted at #2153 Harburn Road and the second search was at #1026 Chalet Road.

The searches resulted in the recovery of multiple stolen items; the seizure of a large number of firearms and the location and seizure of a large quantity of marijuana and other drugs.

As a result of the search three Haliburton residents have been arrested and charged:

Christopher V. Coumbs, age 40, has been charged with 2 counts of Possession Property Obtained by Crime Over $5,000; Production of Schedule II cannabis marihuana; Possession Schedule I - Other Drugs; 2 counts of Careless Storage of Firearm, Weapon, Ammunition.

Natasha Coumbs, age 36, 2 counts of Possession Property Obtained by Crime Over $5,000.

Kenneth L. Coumbs, age 44, 2 counts of Possession Property Obtained by Crime Over $5,000.

Christopher Coumbs told the Voice he will vigorously contest the charges relating to stolen property. The investigation is continuing. ■

Lisa Barry in the race

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Fourth generation residents of the property on Barry Line, she and her husband have established their lives and careers in Algonquin Highlands. They are committed to raising their son in the house they built themselves.

"As a full time resident in the immediate area of the Stanhope Airport, I have many concerns with the expansion project and the way in which it has been advanced," she said. "At the same time, I recognize that there is more to local government and community concerns than any single issue." She says environmental, social and cultural issues that surround government actions are of great concern as well. She said she is passionate about working for improved conditions for the future while preserving what is best of the local heritage and lifestyle for the community as a whole.

Among her strongest concerns is support for the local fire department and the EMS (Emergency Medical Services). She credits them with saving her father's life when he was involved in a devastating car accident several years ago. She said these services have lost their place in the township's priorities while council has focused on large and les widely beneficial initiatives.

"I am concerned, as are many of my neighbours, that the time and taxpayer dollars spent on unwanted and unnecessary projects will raise the cost of living for Algonquin Highlands residents without improving their lives."

Barry says she believes her youth, creativity and her practical experience in business, education and cooperative endeavours are assets she wants to put to further service for the community she calls home. ■

Highlands East – Ward 2 Candidates

■ By Liz Danielsen

Basil Cox

Basil Cox is a seasoned politician looking to return to the arena of local politics.

Despite his decision to check out city life in the Big Smoke for a few years as a young man, Cox was born and raised in Haliburton County and has spent the lion's share of his life here gaining his education and running his own business.

Remembering his days in Toronto, he said, "Down there, if you don't run, they run over you."

He went to Peterborough and worked for Coca Cola for six years, but decided he should start up his own soft drink business. When things had to be downsized in the early 90's Cox returned to the construction business, having always had some equipment, and he has followed that path ever since. He said, "I'm supposed to be semi retired, but for some reason, I still keep working."

"We have to find a way to make amalgamation work."

Cox has always been dedicated to the local fire department. He joined the department in Cardiff as a volunteer and became Deputy Chief there, but ultimately became the Fire Chief in Faraday Township. While his permanent residence is in Faraday, just outside of Cardiff, he still owns property in Cardiff and is still a volunteer for Highlands East.

Cox's political career began in Faraday when he realized they weren't interested in having a Fire Department. "I thought it was crucial to our lives. So a bunch of guys got together and raised funds to get things underway. We even got a mining company to donate two acres for $2.00 where the Bow Lake Department sits to this day. We held dances and draws and made money any way we could. We built the firehall and the footings and foundations for the community centre and then turned it over to Faraday Township. It was up to them from then on."

According to Cox, the Reeve of the day kidded him that if he was so interested he might as well be the new Fire Chief and he held the position for the next 10 years. But the political bug had bit him. He ran successfully as a councillor in Faraday and while he finally became the Reeve, he felt there was too much conflict, holding down both positions while running his own business, so he gave up the Fire Chief's position and continued on as Reeve while running his business with the help of his wife.

"I had known my wife all of my life. She too was born in Haliburton County and we went to school together. We were married in 1961." The couple had two boys and a girl and Cox now has grandchildren and great grandchildren all very close to him.

When asked what tipped the scales and made him run again, he attributed his decision to the aftermath of amalgamation. "We were forced into amalgamation. It's fine for some townships, but some don't make a good mix. In our municipality there have been so many differences and the needs of each (geographic) township are different.

"The way I see it, we have to find a way to make it work. Instead of being four wards, let's work together as one. We can't sit back and continue to do our own thing as individual communities. We have to work together as a group and I'd like to be part of that."

Cox says that with his 10 years of political experience and 40 years in business he has a lot to bring to the table. "Running a municipality is no different than running a business."

Cox, who as Reeve of Faraday also served on the Hastings County Council, said, "You can't make snap decisions. You have to do your research, take a common sense approach and you'll have it made. Common sense is about 95 percent of being in politics.

"If elected," Cox said, "I will guarantee one thing. The fire departments in Highland Grove or on Highway 28 will not be closed. They're important for the protection of our municipality and if they save one life it's worth having them there. You can't replace a life; they're worth every penny they cost.

"There are people that don't believe in fire insurance, and until something happens they won't change. The fire departments are like insurance for us. We have dedicated fireman who take the time to do their training on their own time and we have to give them credit and praise for giving us their time and for being there for us even if it's 3:00 in the morning. I want to make sure the infrastructure is there for them."

Cox said he is also very concerned about the environment. "We are the caretakers of the land and it's everyone's responsibility to protect this beautiful country for our children and grandchildren."

Cox is also concerned about the increasing problem of waste management. "We have the technology to fly to the moon, why don't we have the technology to take care of our garbage?"

Having toured an extremely impressive incineration plant in Burnaby, B.C. and looked into technology that is available in a number of small countries in Europe where there are incineration plants that have no emissions, Cox said that he thinks the federal government is turning their heads on this particular issue.

Cox is an advocate of a five year plan for road works. "Put counters on the roads. See which roads are the most travelled and start to upgrade them based on the highest travelled surfaces. It will cost money to begin with, but if they are properly maintained the costs will level out. Everyone uses the roads.

"People would be able to see a plan and know that work will be done at a specific time, unless there are unforeseen costs or a disaster. They need to know where their tax dollars are going and we need to maintain our infrastructure while ensuring that everyone is getting the best bang for their buck. You have to have a plan to do that."

Cox admitted that there is definitely a problem within the Highlands East building department, but attributes some of the problems associated with building and development in the area directly to the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority, which is chaired by his opponent, incumbent Ward 2 Councillor Suzanne Partridge.

"If we want to grow, we must ensure that we have people willing to come and live and build in Highlands East. We all have to work together with them to see that happen. We have such a short building season and it's important that there are no unnecessary holdups. We have to find a way to smooth out the process."

Again, he says that it comes down to common sense and working together as a group to resolve the issues that are there.

When it comes to developing industry, Cox acknowledged that it is difficult. "We should investigate a call centre, rather than seeing them go to another country. We have to push for what's feasible in our area and create work for our young people. Finding something that we can sustain will be a positive step for the municipality." ■

Suzanne Partridge

"I've always been a political creature."

Suzanne Partridge has had an interest in politics for as long as she can remember.

Partridge grew up in Oakville and still has family in that area. She says that there has always been a family connection to the area and in the early 70's her mother bought property on Paudash Lake. "It was quite a surprise. Mum came up to visit her sister but ended up buying the property we live on today."

As a young woman, young love took Partridge to Rome where she took political science at Temple University.

But ultimately, she returned to her roots. She established and ran her own clothing store for a number of years in Toronto and designed her own line of clothing in what she called another incarnation.

"I always wanted to move up here and finally, after a heated conversation with my sister 21 years ago, I packed my furniture in storage and made the move. A year later I built my studio so I could make my clothing and moved up bag and baggage and never looked back."

Partridge said that she has had an interest in politics all of her life. "I've always been a political creature. Mum was a card carrying Conservative (although not anymore) and years before I was old enough to vote, she wanted me to learn about the political process and took me to her local meetings."

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John T. Smith Runs For Councillor in Ward 2

I have worked with Grant Clement Construction for 37 years. Also, worked in the logging industry for 5 years with Lyle Stamp. Back in the 70's I worked with Bill Curry for 4 years driving a skidder, logging in the bush. I am not afraid of hard work or a challenge and hopefully I will have the opportunity to do both if I am successful in the up coming election.

John T. Smith

Terry Fox legacy continues in Minden

■ By Lyn Winans

It was a somewhat foggy and cool beginning to the annual Minden Terry Fox Run, at 8:45 am with limited visibility, participants gathered outside the community center sporting jackets and long pants. It was only a matter of 20 minutes however before the sun broke through and the 17th running of the event was underway.

Prior to the actual run, M.C. (and Voice Publisher) Jack Brezina and organizer Diane Peacock welcomed participants and drew everyone's attention to the silent auction items, a new addition to the fundraising effort. Holding back tears during the opening speech, Peacock informed the crowd that; "this year's run is dedicated to our own little hero, Dawson Hamilton". A minute of silence was observed in memory of family and friends who had succumbed to cancer. As difficult as it was, Dawson's folks, Scott and Heather were on hand along with other members of the family, they were there to support and encourage others in their efforts to beat the disease that had changed their own lives so dramatically.

As is often the case at Terry Fox runs, the atmosphere quickly shifted from solemn, sad and respectful to determined, defiant and hopeful. Sunday was no exception, people were out to beat cancer, and to honour Fox's attempt of 30 years ago.

Determination, defiance and hope motivated them all, the participants, the organizers, the police, the radio club, the entertainers and everyone who donated money, items or talent. Some in the crowd purchased and wore official 2010 blue Terry Fox T-shirts, while cancer survivors were given red shirts in recognition of their victories. Highland Storm trainer Richard Smith encouraged minor hockey players to participate, and several generations of families walked and ran as teams and babies and canines did their part as well. Minden artist Gary Chapman provided live music at the finish area, and Ziggy the clown was on hand to keep the kids entertained.

There were 231 registered participants at the Minden Terry Fox run this year, the highest number ever. According to organizer Diane Peacock, $13,085.72 has been collected with likely more to come in; it was a much better year than 2009. Kim Smith, provincial community affairs director reports an increase in funds (13 percent) at the provincial level as well. Over the years, the Minden Terry Fox run has contributed over $150,000 to cancer research, surely good news for everyone. ■

Cancer survivor Victoria Peacock officially opened the 2008 Minden Terry Fox run with Dawson Hamilton. She has undergone over 70 chemotherapy and radiation treatments, and according to her father, is doing well and presently attending grade 1

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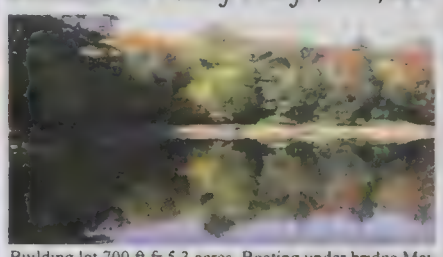

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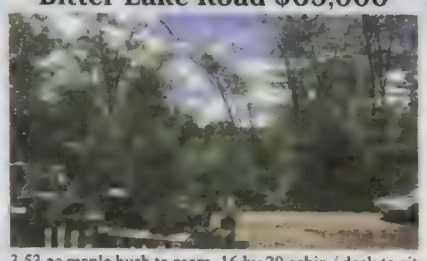

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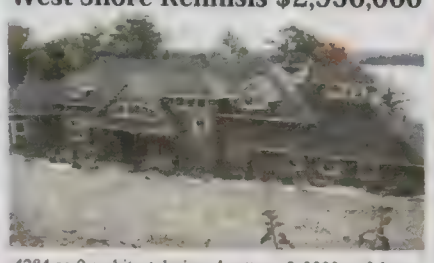

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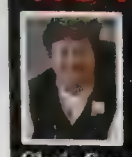

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Terry Fox run still drawing from a fountain of youth

■ By Terrance Gavan

It's been 30 years since the first Terry Fox Run in support of cancer research.

How do I know?

Well I purchased a Tee-Shirt emblazoned with Terry's likeness emblazoned inside the number 30 at the Haliburton -town docks last Sunday.

Latest figures have placed numbers at just over $500 million earned since those first strong steps for cancer research in 1981. And this year's Haliburton run managed to add almost $2000 to that total.

Quite a paean to Terry Fox, a compelling individual who continues to inspire the youth of the world, long after his death from cancer. He died shortly after giving up on a dream to run a marathon a day across Canada – on one good leg and one prosthetic.

The memorial to Fox is on the Trans Canada just east of Thunder Bay, ON. That's where a relapse compelled him to end his quest of that Marathon of Hope run from east coast to west.

He died shortly after, in June, 1981 of complications from cancer.

Grade 8 student Jessica Karaguesian gave it her all

Young Jessica Karaguesian, a grade 8 student at JD Hodgson middle school here in Haliburton was so inspired by the Fox story that she completed four separate circuits around Head Lake.

Making her the long distance champ for the 2010 Haliburton run, walk and bike event.

Jessica, 12, says she can't remember just how many Terry Fox runs she has taken part in, but says that it's at least her fourth.

Why the four full circuits?

"Well, it's good exercise and I did it for Terry Fox," says Karagesian.

Her smile says that the Terry Fox foundation will endure and survive the generational flux.

Testament to the universal allure of one of Canada's finest citizens.

Superb job by all of the volunteers involved in this year's event. ■

Real estate market up, construction permits stable across county

■ By Laura Redman

The local real estate market has seen an 18 per cent increase in sales so far this year, and construction permits, so far, appear to be holding their own.

Anthony van Lieshout, CRA and broker of record with Royal LePage Lakes of Haliburton Brokerage said the local real estate market continues to improve. "I'd say the downturn is in residential versus the waterfront, but we're the exact same and slightly ahead of 2009 in sales," van Lieshout said, adding that the market has certainly improved since the beginning of 2009 after the stock market crash.

Andrew Hodgson, owner and broker of record for Century 21 Granite Realty Group Inc. Brokerage, said the county is about 18 per cent ahead of last year and he's seen a definite leap in sales in their high end market sales.

"Last year we sold 19 properties over $500,000, this year, we've sold 42."

When asked what the future holds for the Haliburton County housing market, Hodgson said, "We've weathered the economic storm very well, and I'm very optimistic about the future."

Van Lieshout agreed.

"Because of the ageing demographics of the baby boomers, those born after the Second World War in 1946, they're all going to be 64 years old this year and looking at retirement properties," van Lieshout said. "And then of course, there's another 15-20 year group coming right up behind them, so it's a huge population."

Hodgson added that area businesses need to keep the pressure on all levels of government to keep improving access to high speed Internet, cellular phone service and road maintenance. "I'm very happy about this current deal… to extend high speed Internet across the county."

Van Lieshout and Hodgson are both convinced that a large percentage of the ageing, but still active population will be looking toward rural Ontario communities, especially where there is still waterfront property available with good hospital facilities and other services nearby.

"Haliburton fits that bill very well," van Lieshout concluded.

Both owners also agreed that the early spring really helped the local market this year.

"Our spring was fantastic," Hodgson said. When asked what made it that way, Hodgson called it the "perfect storm.

"We had four things happen this spring that all contributed to the booming real estate market; one, we had a pent-up demand after a very slow winter; two, we had continued low interest rates and the Federal government actually saying they were going to hike interest rates on July 1 – they didn't, but they said they were going to; three, we had the HST coming in, and while it didn't affect many of our properties, there was a lot of confusion around it; and four, we had this amazing weather – I was selling cottages in March, and March, April and May were beautiful."

Actual local market statistics can now be found online. Two years ago, van Lieshout started a local real estate statistics website that offers up-to-date local Haliburton County statistics as published by the Muskoka-Haliburton Association of Realtors. The website shows that for the month of August 66 units were sold, the exact same as August of 2009 and up from 58 in 2008. From January to August 31, 437 units have been sold so far this year, well up from the 366 sold in the same time period last year, which van Lieshout attributes to "the strongest spring market that I can remember." More current real estate market information can be found at www.marketstats.ca.

Construction permits were stable across the county

As for new building in the county, Minden Hills, issued 191 construction permits from January to July 2010, with a construction value of over $14 million, which puts the township 41 permits and just under $6 million ahead from the same time period last year.

Ken Jones, chief building official of Minden Hills said they are seeing more new dwelling units in the township this year than last, and Jones said he's also trying to present more realistic figures. He said many people who build their own homes don't include their own labour in the estimated construction value, which puts an unrealistic cost on the end product.

"A contractor will give you a true construction value because he's including those numbers, so I've been trying to work with people to give us a more realistic number, which may be skewing those numbers a bit," Jones said.

In Dysart et al, Chief Building Official Dan Sayers said their numbers are so far, "on par with last year." While their permit numbers to date are 203 to 199, their construction values are more than $6 million above last year for the same time period, from January to August, with the total construction value at over $22 million.

Sayers said that number may also improve through the fall. "Last year we did 51 permits in October," Sayers said, making it the busiest month within the last three years. Sayers explained that many cottagers avoid doing their construction projects through the summer, so spring and fall are typically busier in cottage country.

In Highlands East, the township had issued 83 permits up until the end of July of this year, with a construction value of $3.5 million. Last year's totals for the township were 166 permits with a construction value of almost $8.5 million.

In Algonquin Highlands, Mitch O'Grady, acting chief building official and by-law enforcement officer, said he felt it would just be "speculation to speak to the reasons behind the numbers." The township has now issued 152 permits from January to August 31 of this year, and that's up by 13 from the same period in 2009, bringing in a total construction value of $6.8 million, putting them still in reach of last year's total for the year of $10.9 million.

Sayers said those numbers can change significantly based on the size of the construction projects within the township, especially if there are large, commercial projects underway.

"The end of the year tells the real story," Sayers said.

Gary Burtch spoke to the current construction industry climate in the county. Burtch has been weathering business economic storms in Haliburton County for 27 years, as owner of G.J. Burtch Construction Ltd., a custom home building and renovation company. He said the economy changed two years ago and their business changed along with it.

"Our jobs changed from larger jobs to a lot more smaller jobs," Burtch said. However, Burtch said that downturn is slowly starting to come back and by the end of 2009 – "after the dust settled" – he's now seeing the value and the size of projects starting to rise up again. Burtch never did have to lay off any of his 11 employees. "If I have to lay people off, then I'm not doing my job," Burtch said, adding that only means he has to put in longer hours and hit the streets to dig up more work.

Burtch also sits as a director of the Ontario Home Builders Association and he said he can follow the trends in Toronto to predict what will happen in Haliburton.

"If Toronto is booming, Haliburton will be about six months behind feeling that boom," Burtch said. "If Toronto takes a dive, again, we'll be about six months behind to feel that – but we won't go as deep." ■

Suzanne Partridge cont'd

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She also says that her thirst for knowledge and her education has never stopped. Just recently Partridge received a certificate in environmental conservation from the University of Guelph. "I took the courses on line, six of which were on dial up. Can you imagine researching a scientific journal article and getting cut off? It all made me see how truly important high speed really is."

Partridge's courses included watershed planning, something she says has given her a good insight into the process of planning and the tools to enhance her ability to do a good job as a councillor in an area that is very dependent on resources, whether for extraction or utilization in any manner including the intrinsic value that local resources bring to tourism and seasonal populations.

Taking her role and her campaign seriously, Partridge has been out knocking on doors and talking to people. In one day she said she covered as many as 40 residences. "If I wasn't the incumbent it wouldn't take me quite as long, but this has been a wonderful opportunity for people to share their concerns and has really given me a good insight into what people are thinking about. They don't necessarily phone me unless something is wrong and it has been good to have competition in this race because it's getting me out there talking to people.

Partridge has been on the Highlands East Council since amalgamation in 2001, but prior to that she served a term in Cardiff Township and her final year as Reeve when the sitting Reeve left for personal reasons. As Reeve of Cardiff Township, Partridge was introduced to politics at the County Level, something which broadened her perspective considerably.

Prior to that Partridge served for a term on the school board. At that point the school boards were amalgamating and she served on the amalgamation committee for the Haliburton County Board of Education.

When asked what caused her to finally take the step to run for Council, Partridge said, "A friend of the family twisted my arm. I got tired of saying no. I've been involved ever since and I love it. I have always been involved in the community wherever I have lived so it was a natural progression."

As to her goals, Partridge said that planning is at the top of the list. She said she was very pleased to see the Council start the strategic planning process. "I have been pushing for this since our first Highlands East meeting and I finally was on a council that could agree on its importance. We have a long way to go, but I would very much like to be part of completing the process.

"Once our priorities are identified the Council will be so much better equipped to set meaningful budgets, where every dollar is spent effectively and wisely."

Another top priority for Partridge is to improve the process for obtaining permits for development. As the Chair of the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority, Partridge said she requested that this be placed on their agenda some time ago, and it is scheduled as a topic for discussion at their next meeting. Partridge recognizes the need to review the process for both the Authority and within the municipality.

"We need to develop a process that will facilitate things for both property owners and contractors so it makes it easy for them to do things the proper way."

Partridge is a strong advocate for all community volunteer groups and feels that there should be improved cooperation and municipal support to assist them to reach their goals. "I think that the volunteers deserve a lot of support. We could hold workshops for them, get them together to allow networking and collaboration and assist with funding. Bringing our volunteers together would help to bring our municipality together. Without their contributions we might as well lock up and go home."

Partridge said she couldn't place enough emphasis on the environment. "We have to take care of the environment and our lakes. That's what brings employment to the area."

When asked what steps she saw the municipality taking, she said through strengthening the zoning by-laws, cooperation with area lake associations who are developing lake plans and having regard for those plans in the municipality's official plan. "They are spending tons of money on consultants, water quality and lake capacity tests and the municipality would be remiss in not utilizing the information to the best extent possible for everyone's benefit."

As well as pursuing any and all energy saving initiatives, Partridge would also like to see septic re-inspections implemented. "I've been speaking with property owners and a number of people have said they would be supportive of this." Unsure how the program would be implemented or financed, Partridge suggested that it would likely have to be a county wide initiative taken on in partnership with the health units.

Referring to the suggestions made at the recent all candidates meeting, Partridge said that she has suggested changing the ward structure a number of times, but that council had been reluctant to consider the change. She suggested that there should be three wards with equitable population with the reeve and deputy reeve being elected at large. "Obviously from the forum this is something that the public feels is important and I believe we would all take a much broader view."

Partridge says she supports any initiative that would continue to bind her amalgamated municipality together. ■

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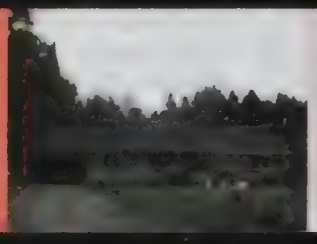

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Haliburton Lake - $345,000

New Price - Seller Relocating - This cozy and renovated 4 season, 2 bedroom cottage/home with full insulated basement is definitely a must see. Features and upgrades since 1998 include wrap around upper deck, lakeside lower deck, pine kitchen cupboards(2010), windows replaced in 2009, central air, drilled well, upgraded septic and tile bed, siding, steel roof, updated oil tank in 2005, updated furnace in 1998, insulated above ground basement w/ some drywall/two walkouts to name a few. Very spacious and private lot w/ 100' and fabulous view. Lot is slightly elevated w/ gentle access to clean shoreline that offers sandy area or deep shore. Located on lovely bay on Haliburton Lake and on quiet dead end road. The full walkout basement offers room to develop an area or more sleeping area.

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75 Acres - $329,000

Beautiful House and Pond. After you drive through the harwood bush this stunning 4 bdrm home set on 75 acres revealed. Both the living & dining rms overlook the pond perfect for nature watching. The airtight woodstove is set on a beautiful stone surround, while the clean white kitchen looks out to the sunroom and has lots of counter space for prep work. A lg family room is filled with sunlight and a propane stove for fall evenings. The 4 brdms upstairs all have cathedral ceilings and share a 4 pc bath. Other features include: mn flr laundry & powder rm, screened porch, 2 car detached garage,greenhouse, generator and panel, new hi-eff propane furnace,and central vac.

South Lake - $399,000

Gorgeous yr round access, minutes to Minden on a big private lot over .6 ac with 150 ft of clean rock shelf & sand frontage, dead level. Beautiful & bright main cottage includes 3 bdrms, living/dining/kitchen combo. Throw in main flr laundry, 2pc bath and screened porch. Extensive decking leads to a self contained bunkie w/ separate 3 pc bath then out to the back yard where you'll find a 2 1/2 detached garage and another out building set up like a small res hall or games rm. Tons of charm and very well cared for.

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Lt. Boshkung Lake - $599,000

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Gull River - $274,900

Beautiful Gull River home/cottage on a level lot a short distance from the Town of Minden or a boat ride to Gull Lake. The cottage/home has been totally redone with new flooring/kitchen/bathrooms, and a large deck off the front of the cottage. The building features 3+1 bedrooms, den or an office, 2 bathrooms, large living room & rec room. The majority of the rooms have a great view of river. A perfect spot for your weekend cottage or retirement home

Paradise Lake - $129,000

Located just east of Haliburton, this 3 bedroom home is on a level lot right across the road from Paradise Lake and access to the lake on a 66 ft road allowance. The 1.5 car garage is an excellent work shop with storage loft above. There have been many upgrades to the house in the last couple of years including furnace and hot water tank

Jess & Jeff Wilson
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Kennaway Lake - $329,000

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Residential - $319,000

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Highway 118 - $199,900

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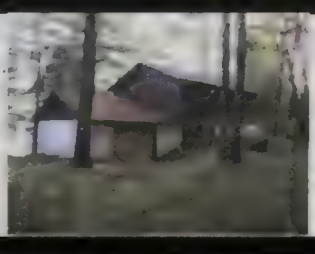

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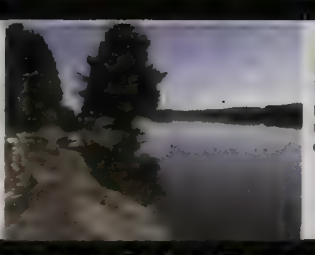

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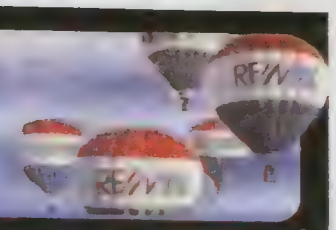

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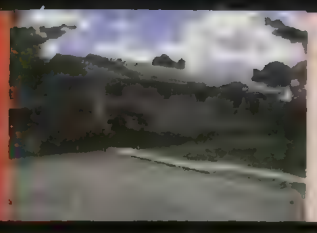

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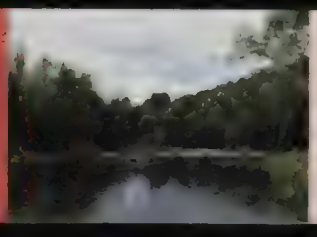

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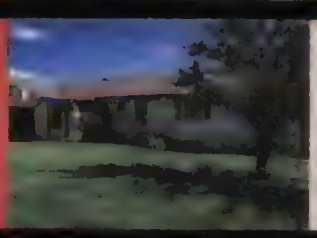

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This family home with over 3000 sq. ft. of living space is located in Minden and features 3 bdrms./3 baths, living room with bow window, dining room, sunroom with propane fireplace, master ensuite, main floor laundry, cedar bathroom with sauna, c/air, c/vac, dbl. att'd garage, walk-out basement, large rec room, and additional space for a hobby room. Call today for your appointment.

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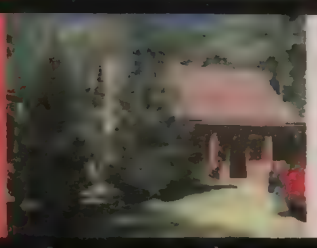

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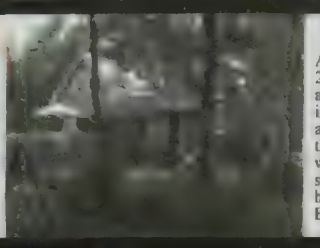

Denna Lake Road - $294,900

A rare find! Charming and very private, this unique home on 28 acres is just 10 minutes from Minden. Newer septic, new above ground pool built into deck adjacent to the house. Fully insulated 14' X 14' bunkie, several sheds, manicured grounds and gardens, a small pond and numerous groomed trails throughout the property. Main floor laundry and a Napoleon woodstove in the living room. In the kitchen you can see some of the log walls from the original building. The kitchen has hardwood floors, a vaulted ceiling and the gorgeous Elmira Cookstove is included

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Location! Location! Location! Dark Lake - $184,500

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Allen Lake - $249,900

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~Nick Hornby, Fever Pitch, 1992

Gav on Sports

Owed an apology? Damn right!

Canucks Brass admit to misdiagnosis of Hodgson's lingering back injury

■ By Terrance Gavan

Vancouver Province hockey writer Jim Jamieson says Cody Hodgson needs an apology.

If you've been following the ongoing saga of Hodgson (of the Haliburton Hodgson clan) - 10th pick overall in the 2008 entry draft (Vancouver), top scorer (gold medal) in the 2009 World Junior championships, and 2009 CHL Player of the Year - well, you'd probably concur with Jamieson's concise and compelling arguments made in an article dated Sept 10.

In a hard-hitting and revealing piece entitled "Canucks owe Hodgson an apology" Jamieson attempted to wade through the ongoing and murky miasma regarding Hodgson's back problems.

"It's a saga that has had more jaw-dropping twists than an X-Files episode, but finally there is some clarity in the fog of uncertainty that has surrounded Canucks prospect Cody Hodgson for the past 13 months," writes Jamieson.

"Hodgson, who has been laboring with back problems since being injured doing dryland training in July of 2009, arrived in town last Wednesday to undergo a medical evaluation by the Canucks. He spoke with The Province briefly at Rogers Arena on Thursday (Sept 9), saying he felt good and that a torn back muscle had healed, but begged off on further comment until the medical exam was completed.

"On Friday morning, as the other prospects were made available to the media heading into this weekend's rookie camp and tournament in Penticton, reporters were told that Hodgson would not be available to them after all, that he would not be participating in the camp/tournament and that he needed to go through more tests before he was cleared to play."

Alain Vigneault, Canucks coach, told reporters that Hodgson would undergo "further evaluations" and that: "We'll have an update on (Sept. 17) when (main) camp starts."

Jamieson said the news was both "familiar and discouraging."

What else is new? It all looked a bit like the same-old-same-old but some murky streams of light may be struggling through this long tunnel after all.

"The Province has learned from a source with an understanding of Hodgson's situation that he is close to being 100 per cent healthy for the first time since injuring his back, but may not be able to participate in contact until the end of this month," wrote Jamieson. He may in fact be ready to skate next week with the regular team.

All this floating in the wake of last week's stunning presser where Canucks' GM Mike Gillis dropped "a bombshell."

During a radio interview, Gillis allowed that Hodgson's ailing back was due to a torn lower back muscle and not due to a slightly bulging disc which was originally pinpointed as the main source of discomfort and pain.

"In fact, Gillis said, the underlying injury was mis-diagnosed initially by the Canucks' medical staff and then by Dr. Anthony Miniaci, a well-known sports physician consulted by Hodgson after he was sent back to junior at the end of last September," said Jamieson. "Gillis said it was the Canucks medical staff that picked up the muscle tear when Hodgson was in Vancouver in the spring."

Hodgson started consultations with former NHL player and fitness expert Gary last May and began working with Roberts officially at the beginning of August. "It's believed that Roberts also had a role in discovering the underlying injury," writes Jamieson.

The thread of this story was picked up by the Globe and Mail's Matthew Sekeres who said in a Sept. 12 article that the admission of missed diagnosis is important for Hodgson.

"(The admission) handed Hodgson, a huge heaping of vindication because while he complained of the ailment last year in training camp, Canucks head coach Alain Vigneault suggested that the injury might have been in Hodgson's head, or an excuse for his underwhelming performance," writes Sekeres.

And for Jamieson, it cements a point that many pundits and Hodgson insiders have been claiming for over a year.

"The Canucks, if they haven't already done so," says Jamieson, "owe him an apology."

On Monday Sekeres added yet another thread to this story saying that Hodgson got a rather in depth looky-look by Vigneault (on Monday Sept 20) who said that Hodgson - who is skating with the walking wounded C-squad - may be ready to step up and go with the regulars at some point next week.

"Vigneault watched for 20 minutes and said Hodgson looked strong, albeit against rehabbing players and minor leaguers," wrote Sekeres.

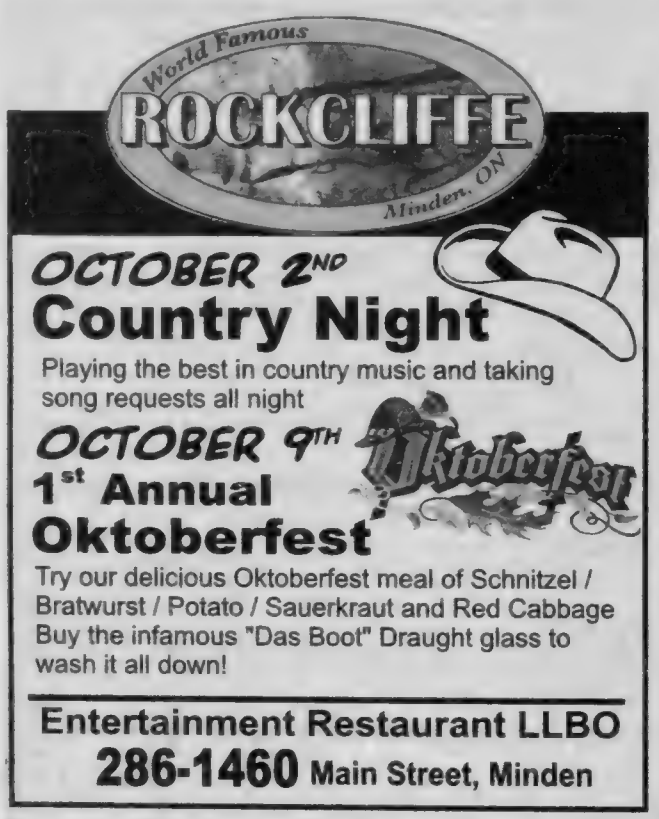
The Canucks prospect will practice power-play drills with the regular group on Monday, and could join full practice sessions as soon as Wednesday, according to a published report.

Speculation resides however that Cody H may still be starting the season with AHL affiliate Manitoba Moose.

Best described by Randy Bachman as: "Portage and Main – 40 below."

Gav says … give this poor kid an apology. He's earned it!

Contact Terrance at gav@pardontheeruption.com and Twitter at twitter.com/terrancegavan. ■



Sports Roundup

High School sports start this week

■ By Terrance Gavan

Paul Longo says his HHSS Red Hawk golf team, which niblicked into action last week survived, just barely, the round from hell in the Kawartha West regional events.

Rob Lewis finished second overall in a shortened – dues to weather – playdown last Thursday.

In blistering winds and sheeting rain that grounded even the most precocious of Jonathan Livingstone Seagulls Lewis played himself into contention with a blatantly superlative round.

The second half of that series is slated for Blairhampton on Thursday.

Meanwhile Caley Sisson's and Mr. Merritt's field hockey squads popped into action on Wednesday versus HCSS at the Red Hawk pitch .

Sisson has taken on the addition task of convening the league this season and has also taken the coaching reins from now retired and long time Field Hockey mentor Paul Morissette.

On Tuesday, Sept 28 the soccer teams travel to LCVI, and both basketball teams are on the road at IE Weldon.

Also on the 28th both junior and senior football teams play host to KCVI in their home openers.

On Sept 30 the girls roundball teams host Fenelon Falls in the Hawks' Nest and senior soccer also hosts FFSS on the Brohman pitch.

HURRY HARD!

That state of the art ice plant at the Haliburton curling club has been working double time during the month of September.

President Bruce Martin reports that the 2010 season gets underway October fourth with the full slate of mixed, men's and women's curling starting a full two weeks earlier than normal.

Head of recruitment and clinic guy Bob MacNaull says that the club will be open this weekend Saturday and Sunday for some clinics.

New members and returning members are urged to get out on Sept 25.

Clinic with four OCA trained instructors will happen between 10 and 3 on Saturday.

The clinic is intended for beginners, but MacNaull says that it's also a nice refresher for seasoned players who want a little refresh and upgrade to their technique.

Yes you can teach an old curling dog new tricks.

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See you out there. Bring your curling shoes as the ice is not sneaker friendly.

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I have a copy of Hank and Tanya DeBruins new book, Iditarod Dreamer, A rookie team's journey.

Hank and Tanya run Winterdance Dog Sled Tours here in Haliburton and are planning to compete in the Yukon Quest this year with their elite team of Siberian huskies.

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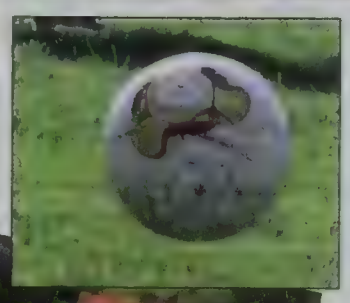
Red Hawk footie clubs rip one huge win and one squeaker loss in openers



■ Photos & Story by Terrance Gavan

Hal High Red Hawk junior footie players ran a veritable pastiche of TSN-worthy highlight reel goals past their struggling counterparts from Brock High School last Tuesday afternoon.

The Trilliums Lakelands sports body prohibits teams from showing actual scores during lopsided games, so it was hard to accurately manage the books after the home-town Hawks ran their advantage to 5-1.

That's where the home town clock technician literally clocked off.

Deadline issues – Voice goes to print proofs on Tuesday afternoon – prevent a final airing of the score, but suffice to say that the junior Hawks soccer squad ran the score to 8-1 at one point in a wind-aided second half.

The impressive home opener bodes well for junior soccer at Hal High.

They show a well organized front end attack, bulwarked by a solid cadre of high styled footmen.

They finish with flourish and their open-ended attacking style provided the fans on hand with plenty to talk about.

Stylish club with some hard-core offensive players, capable of finish. Obviously.

Meanwhile the senior footie squad fell prey to some opening day jitters in a lackluster first 40 minutes.

They dug themselves a huge 4-0 hole before rallying in the latter stages of the contest.

Alex Monk-Cray, Jesse Schmidt, Brett Yake and Mike Mazara rallied the cause with some stellar crosses, ball movement, and a heady counter-punching demeanor with the wind at their backs and blowing out to Head Lake in the second half.

They scored their first wind-aided goal with less than 30 minutes remaining and then rallied huge in the closing minutes to close the advantage to 4-3. Their second and third goals came during an absolutely awe-inspiring flurry of offensive activity in the closing three minutes of regular time.

During a minute and a half of extra time the senior Hawks had one glorious chance to knot the score, but fell just shy as the clock dwindled to the final whistle after 85 seconds of added time.

This senior club possesses some very potent weapons and should be all right this year.

Brock seniors play a disciplined ball control game and the senior Hawks like to freewheel. Despite that ugly first half, the senior Hawks showed dig deep heart, and some emotional flourish in the face of some dire odds.

Last Tuesday they had patches of brilliance in that second half, which shattered the composure of Brock's back line.

Kudos goes to Brock's backstop, who was superb when needed, and eventually he turned the tide in the closing moments.

However those late flashes should provide momentum for the senior club who travel to St. Thomas Aquinas today.

Both footie clubs are on the road to KCVI next Tuesday.

The Brohman pitch will turn into Brohman Field next Tuesday (Sept 28) for the twin bill football home opener against KCVI. ■

Above left: The Hawks Alex Monk-Cray wins the ball from a brock defender during a whirl and dervish second half comeback attempt. Hawks lost 4-3 after falling behind 4-0.
Above: Monk-Cray just misses on a try early in the first half. Hawks Junior team won their game by a huge margin.
Left: Hawks player Josh Wright (in black) battles for the ball during a precocious second half comeback attempt last Tuesday at Gary Brohman Pitch.

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Riders dip and dive during Crank the Shield at Sir Sam's

■ By Terrance Gavan

Jason Everaert negotiates the opening downhill.

Criss-crossing lines of racers snake down the switchbacks at Sir Sam's last Sunday.

Shake, rattle and roll baby.

Elvis has left the building.

On a full-smush Trek Enduro.

Don't step on those Blue Suede Shoes y'all.

Make no mistake, the Haliburton Highlands is rapidly becoming a first class destination for mountain bikers, weekend warriors and stellar sanctioned mountain bike races.

Last Sunday morning some 290 colorfully clad riders revved up for the final stage of the now famous, infamous and unanimously transcendent Crank the Shield mountain bike race.

Three days of Hell. Heaven. And for some … Limbo.

The racers left Sir Sam's parking lot at 9:30 am sharp and headed for the top o' the hill; a challenging dipsy doodle up bunched up an old logging trail; and then down the back side of the front side of the intricate system of trails laid out all over the ski runs at Sir Sam's Ski and Summer Resort.

Last weekend Sir Sam's played host to the start of Crank the Shield stage three; including a pretty scary jaunt down the Python Run, followed by another delightful uphill on Kingston Road; and then a harrowing exit from the back side of trails hewn through the woods and over the rocky detritus of a glacial upheaval, which occurred well before Sarah Palin proclaimed carbon dating, Neanderthal man and the ice age a fools fancy.

Don't tell that to 290 cyclists who flew down the dirty backside of Sir Sam's.

They'll tell you to a man that the devil had a hand in this crusty layout, and it took billions of years – not seven days - to manhandle and mismanage the landscape to this fluctuating perfection.

You don't ever beat the Canadian Shield.

You hold tight on your handlebars, you rely on instinct, close your eyes and – a paean to Sarah Tea Party here – you Pray, just a bit.

Robin Bouchard of St-Felicien, PQ says "Hello, Highlands."

Dave Webb, ski school director, summer events organizer and the congenial host for this first ever visit of Crank the Shield to Sir Sam's was up at five am.

He was like a kid at Christmas.

"This is great for the Resort, but even greater for the Highlands," said Webb.

Their website descriptor says that it's generally regarded as Eastern North America's most challenging and popular mountain bike stage race. Excellent accommodations, superb food choices, and some of the best mountain biking Eastern Canada has to offer.

In fact many mountain bikers with international experience agree that Crank The Shield is one of the nicest stage races in the world, and just maybe one of the toughest.

Racers spent Saturday night at Camp White Pine and all sections of the race imbibed in the convivial and challenging terrain in and around the county.

A sure sign, says Webb, that event organizers are tweaking to the unique wonders of the area and the challenging aspects of the terrain. ■

Laurie Scott Wins Nomination

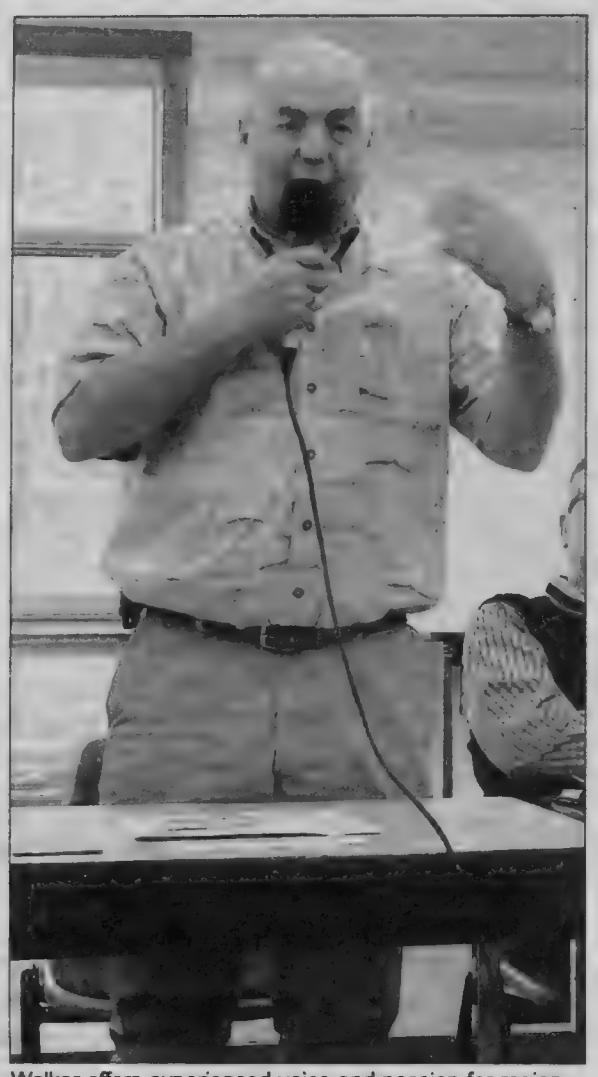
"It's time to move on – I've think we've all turned a corner on this." And with that, newly elected Conservative candidate Laurie Scott hopes that she and the Haliburton – Brock – Kawartha Lakes voters will give her another chance to represent them at Queens Park in next year's provincial election.

Almost two years ago Scott resigned her seat in favour of Conservative leader John Tory: party members stayed home in droves and Liberal Rick Johnson romped home. But last weekend Scott won the overwhelming approval of local Conservatives to try to regain her seat. "Through a lot of hard work by a lot of committed people we've managed to sign up over 2000 Conservative Party members in this riding," Scott told the Voice. "Which is more than any other riding in the entire Province of Ontario. That shows you how much local people are dissatisfied with McGuinty's Ontario – the Ontario of huge hydro bills, the HST, no jobs, and little hope."

When asked if she subscribed to the leader Tim Hudak's view that the ascendency of Toronto Conservative maverick and leading mayoral candidate Rob Ford reflected a growing anti-establishment public anger, Scott replied, "There are an awful lot of angry people out there, and an awful lot of emotion. You can see it in municipal races across the riding as well. There's change in the air, for sure." ■

Two more candidates declare for Deputy Reeve for Dysart

Jerry Walker



Walker offers experienced voice and passion for region in Dysart Deputy Reeve bid

As a two-time former Dysart et al councillor, and now candidate for Deputy Reeve, Jerry Walker says his first priority would be to create a longterm plan.

"I think we need to take a look at a long term plan for our county," Walker said. "It's a big undertaking and it includes everything - our roads, our waste management, our environment, our jobs, our housing - county-wide and right down through each municipality – we need to have a good long range plan."

Walker brings a wide range of experience to his current run at politics. First elected in Dysart in 1991, Walker worked with then Reeve, Chris Hodgson.

"We had a good three years – we accomplished a fair bit – and I take pride in our work on the sewer plant," Walker said. "I don't take full credit for it, but the council of that day was able to land the funding and rebuild the new sewer plant in Haliburton... looking at that project 20 years later, it was a good move."

In 2000, Walker was elected again and worked with current Reeve Murray Fearrey – Walker later challenged Fearrey for the reeve's position in 2006.

"Murray has assured me that we can work together, and my feeling is the same," Walker said, adding that he might consider another run at reeve in the future. "He's [Fearrey] been there a long time, and he's not going to be there for ever, so that may be a future opportunity, but we'll cross one bridge at a time."

Walker will by then have more time on his hands - his nephew is buying out his portion of the heating and cooling company Walker started in Haliburton County in 1982 - the company has now grown to 10 employees.

A full-time resident since 1977, Walker waxes poetic when he talks about his passion for the Highlands.

"My great-uncle started a little family resort in Ingoldsby in 1950, and when I was about four- or five-years-old my parents brought us up here," Walker said. "I can still remember looking over the bow of a boat and seeing the bottom of the lake, and it looked like it was a 100 feet deep. And that was it for me – between being out on the water and the smell of an outboard motor on a September morning, I was hooked."

Now an avid outdoorsman, Walker embraces fishing, hunting and snowmobiling. But Walker also puts his energy into his passion for conservation. He started the Haliburton chapter of Ducks Unlimited 16 years ago and he's a current national board member with the organization. He's also a member of the Outdoors Association, sits on a Ministry of Natural Resources Advisory Committee and has long term volunteer commitments to Rotary – 25 years - and 10 years with the fire department. His wife Dale is current executive director for the hospital foundation, and while Walker is proud of the current health services offered in the county, he wants to work toward having more services and specialists rotating through the county, instead of locals having to travel outside. Walker also sees the influx of retirees within the last 20 years as a bonus.

"We are blessed with having a number of people who have retired here and they bring with them a lot of expertise from many walks of life," Walker said. "We have to tap into that knowledge and accept their assistance so council can make more informed decisions."

Walker believes a consultative approach with other communities and with local people will be the key to successful growth in the county. His other priorities include: improving municipal parking - "We could relocate the baseball diamond and that could be municipal parking" and creating an alternate truck route.

"Some people call it a bypass, but it's not a bypass, because Haliburton is a destination. It's a great downtown, with great businesses, it's pretty, and there are things to do, so you're coming here because you want to come here." But Walker said his new awareness came from a resident who had an emergency situation with his daughter and couldn't get through town, has added another reason to seriously look at the idea.

Walker said housing is another priority.

"It's a high priority for all ages, to keep people here, to keep them comfortable and to keep it affordable."

He'd also like to see more amenities and more partnerships within the county. "We need to build our tax base, create more year-round jobs and keep people and dollars in the county," Walker said, adding, "We need partnerships everywhere to do that – that's how the world works today, whether you're looking at building housing or a swimming pool, you need partnerships."

But Walker is also a fiscal conservative, and used the analogy of saving and planning to buy a first home, as an example.

"We need to make sure we can afford it – and what do we mean by 'afford'," Walker said. "It all comes back to planning."

As for the job of deputy reeve, Walker believes he's ready.

"I like working with people and listening to their concerns," Walker said. "Being on council is a lot bigger job than I ever would have expected, but I have a pretty good idea of what I'm getting myself into." ■

Martin Lacey

Martin Lacey wants a new community Recreation Centre

Martin Lacey said his campaign signs tell the story – he's the man with the new vision. Lacey initially put his name forward to represent Ward Five, but has now decided to seek the position of Deputy Reeve in Dysart et al. Lacey said he made the switch because his vision would impact the entire County.

"I realized the platform of issues that I care about is greater than Ward Five," Lacey said, adding he also now realizes he's the underdog in the race.

Lacey believes Haliburton County is now at a crossroads.

"We need to be careful that we don't stagnate and go backwards," Lacey said. "We do need to grow and develop, but admittedly, it has to be gradual growth."

Lacey's number one priority for the county is to develop a community centre that can be accessed by everyone, and contains a wading pool for kids, a 25 m pool with eight lanes for competitive purposes, family washrooms, change rooms and a full fitness facility.

Lacey would also like to see a solution for the bottleneck of traffic in Haliburton village in the summer – he likes the idea of the Industrial Road extension – and creating more venues and organized activities for area youth to participate in.

To pay for it all? Lacey is convinced more money can be found through the federal government stimulus package – like neighbouring Muskoka – and he believes that since fitness centres are generally run as profit-generating propositions, a facility here with a user-fee system could at the very least break even.

Lacey also said that he feels most local taxpayers would not object to small tax hikes across the county to help pay for the project because more and more seasonal visitors are now coming to Haliburton year-round.

"In my history and in my background as an elected director - I ran a BIA in Toronto - I was president and treasurer, I've been called the 'bulldog,'" Lacey said. "I don't let things go, and I'm not one for stagnation."

Lacey promises that after 30 days in office he'd have a committee formed to propose a business plan for the community centre – and that he'd have an alternate road established in two years and a community centre built in four years.

For more information on his bid to become the next deputy reeve, Lacey invites voters to take a look at his website at www.martinlacey.ca. ■

Creative businesses at home

Project started three years ago gets warm welcome at open house

■ **By Mark Arike**

"This has been a long time coming," said Barb Bolin, chair of the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC) and incubator committee, during the building's open house on Monday, Sept. 13.

After three years in the making tenants in Haliburton's Creative Business Incubator have finally settled in.

First discussed as just an idea around HCDC's table a few years ago, Bolin said, the project gained momentum in 2007 when the municipality of Dysart stepped up to commission a study of the area to determine the feasibility of having a business incubator in the community.

Located at the renovated site of the old Dysart library (410 Mountain St.), the incubator is now home to four businesses: Haliburton Language School (Karra Wesley), Why Not Collect It (Sandi McElwain), BHR Group (Brandi Hewson) and the newest addition, Miss Green Originals (Trevor and Sonja DeSilva).

"Creative businesses and innovative entrepreneurs was the basis of this whole idea," said Bolin.

Run by the HCDC, the incubator program is "dedicated to providing a sustainable environment in which new and emerging companies can develop and achieve growth."

The desired outcomes of the incubator project include profitable businesses, job creation, economic growth, diversity, and a positive impact on communities in Haliburton County.

Business owners in the incubator – some of whom are fairly new to running their own business – are offered business support, assistance and coaching.

"This newly renovated space will help to establish businesses that can flourish," said Klara Oyler, Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) grant review team member.

In March, the OTF awarded the incubator project a $15,000 grant for necessary renovations to the building.

In addition, the project has been made possible through funding provided by the Ontario Ministry of Culture's Strategic Investment Fund, the Eastern Ontario Development Program, the Municipality of Dysart et al and HCDC.

According to statistics from the Canadian Association of Business Incubation, there are 150 business incubators in the country. ■

Weather a "blessing", summer business up across most of county

Many merchants said the summer of 2010 was the best of the past four years

■ By Laura Redman

Record rainfall, blazing heat and tons of sunshine, this summer had it all - and many local business owners are still smiling from the results of that combination.

Bob Park, owner of Haliburton Foodland, said the summer of 2010 was the best summer the store has had in four years.

"I'm excited about the summer," Park said. "It was fabulous." Park credited the great weather and the store's new longer hours. "They both made a difference."

Park is also president of the Haliburton Business Improvement Area (BIA), and said every business owner he's talked to in Haliburton also had a great summer.

"I haven't heard any negativity from anyone," Park said. "And I think the visitors are very happy with what the town gave them," adding that comments he was offered included great variety, cleanliness and great service.

"There's nothing like that small town service."

Bill Dewey at W.R.D. Cottage Rentals said their season went well and business was good.

"This year was slightly better than other years," Dewey said, adding that most of their business comes through their 200-page website and 60 per cent of their clients are repeats.

Jamie Dollo of Dollo's Foodland in Minden said they also had a very good summer, and especially in August.

"There seemed to be more people around later in August this year," Dollo said, adding that he believed that was due to the great weather at the end of the month. His store has undergone a minor facelift earlier this year, with the switch from IGA to the Foodland brand in April.

Karen Frybort, manager of McKeck's The Blue Line, said they have the capacity for 119 people in the restaurant and there was seldom a time over the summer when they didn't have 119 people in the room.

"It was a fabulous summer for us," Frybort said. "We had a lot of families come in and a lot of returning visitors, and we just had so many fabulous days."

Frybort credited said their only regret was they had to suspend take-out orderson some days because of the increased traffic. "We've never had to do that before." Frybort added that she's so grateful to that summer clientele for that business – "It's such a privilege to be able to live here full time, year round." And Frybort was especially grateful this year to the kitchen manager Kyle Aggett and his team.

"This was the hottest summer ever in that kitchen and those guys were doing 12-hour shifts in that heat – they're the real heroes here," Frybort said.

Shawn Chamberlin, owner of the Dominion Hotel & Pub and Grill on the Gull in Minden, couldn't say enough about the summer – or the visitors.

"It was such a wonderful summer," Chamberlin said, adding, "And we had happy, happy people visiting the county."

Chamberlin said in his chats with visitors, they were pleased with the people, happy with the towns and happy with the weather.

"I was just stunned – I heard it over and over again. And of course, happy people spend happy dollars."

Chamberlin said the shift this summer seemed to come from a couple of sources.

"Let's face it, for the last few years, we've had bad weather, negative economics, it's just been one thing after another. This year, however, has just been so positive," Chamberlain added.

Dale Rider has owned Buttermilk Falls Resort with her husband John for the last three years.

"We had a fabulous summer," Rider said. "Our business has consistently grown every year. We're thrilled."

Rider laughed as she added, "Thankfully, our guests who suffered through the last two summers, came back."

The resort has nine cottages, all newly renovated, and she said they usually fill up quickly – then however, she goes to work to find people other places to stay in the county.

"We want everyone to do well in Haliburton."

When they bought their resort three years ago, Rider said she was acutely aware of what was happening with the economy.

"But we also knew that people would not stop living forever," Rider said. As for the rain this summer, she said they book by the week, so people don't mind if it rains for one or two days – and if it rained for an hour, she said, no one even noticed.

Andy Gruppe, camp director at YMCA Camp Wanakita agreed.

"I knew that we had rain, but honestly, maybe because it was warm, it was different than last summer," Gruppe said. "Last year it would rain and we would have kids cabin-bound all day. In 2009, the rain was the story of the summer."

Gruppe said this year their residential and family camps were both full and they had more kids in their day camp than in previous years.

"We had a great summer," Gruppe said.

Amy Brohm, tourism and marketing coordinator for Haliburton County, said she didn't have statistics at hand, but overall felt it was a good summer for most businesses, with the notable exception being some of the accommodation owners.

"I don't feel like we're doing a happy dance or anything," Brohm said, "but I think, generally, we had a good year."

Brohm said that the weather was a factor this year – and that the mix of heat, sunshine and rain, was good.

"If I were in charge of the weather, that's what I would do – mix in a couple of days of rain each week, because that's what gets people into town," Brohm said. "If it's just hot and sunny the whole time, then people don't leave their docks."

Brohm agreed that the season started early, but also speculated that the tourism season has shifted for Haliburton County. Brohm said it used to be busiest during the first two weeks of July – the two weeks that General Motors shut down annually – but now it seems that the first week of August and the August long weekend are the weekends when most visitors arrive.

Dave Bishop, general manager of the Haliburton Forest, said their season didn't match other years in some areas for numbers and he pointed his finger at the weather and the Internet – and a changing style in bookings by consumers because of the amount of information available.

"This was the wettest summer on record for this area," Bishop said, "and warmer than normal too – three degrees above normal."

Bishop said the rain also impacted the Forest's logging and forest work.

"It was very difficult to get logs out of the bush this summer," Bishop said, calling the impact "dramatic" and "challenging".

As far as the Internet is concerned, Bishop said "it's great, but also a curse."

"Peoples' habits have changed," Bishop said. "There are no reserved bookings anymore and people are willing to take chances – so if it's full here, they'll go somewhere else."

Bishop said a few years ago their Canopy Tour would be booked two months in advance, but now, most tours are full, but they won't know until the day before – and this last year it was more noticeable than ever.

Brohm agreed, saying the county tourism office is definitely receiving an ever-increasing number of calls for last-minute bookings.

Brad Robinson, owner of Robinson's General Store in Dorset, said their clientele is always very consistent because they're mostly cottagers, not transient visitors. In fact, Robinson said they can actually schedule their staff year to year, by looking at the numbers from the previous year's week and day. They can even compare daily totals with previous years and be within a $1 or two of previous totals. The slight drop in revenues this year, Robinson said, was because of the heat.

"I would hear people in the store saying, 'Hurry up, so we can get back to the cottage,'" Robinson said. He added that more people were sitting on their docks enjoying the summer this year, and putting off projects until the fall because it was too hot.

"But on the whole, our business is quite predictable."

Robinson knows what's just ahead too.

"I'm looking forward to a good fall. Lots of people come here in the fall, and then after Thanksgiving weekend, it's a long sit until May."

Between June 1 and Labour Day, the OPP had 2,200 calls for service, which Const. Mark McMaster, said would be a pretty typical summer. McMaster also said that there were no major incidents – no drownings and no fatalities of any kind in the County during that time.

"Summer is by far our busiest time," McMaster said, "but overall, this year, we had a good summer.

Robert Vassos has been owner of Wedgewood Marina for eight years and he said the summer started early and sales were up compared to the last two years.

"If you remember back in August, we had hot and dry weather very quickly, so we've had five solid months of summer," Vassos said.

He added that his purchasers were hesitating less and also complaining less this year about the dollar and the economy.

"Savvy buyers know that this is a good time to be buying a boat," Vassos said. He explained; "Most of our boat manufacturers are American, and with a strong dollar, we can import more cheaply, and that translates to better prices for consumers."

But Vassos said the weather was mostly responsible for the increase in sales.

"Everything we do in this business is related to the weather… and this year has been a blessing." ■

Crash on 35

■ Photos by Lyn Winans

A serious crash last week on Highway 35 in Minden sent three people to hospital and totalled the two cars involved. According to witnesses Jessica Carpenter was southbound in her Ford Fusion (silver) when a northbound Chrysler van (burgundy) carrying two people cut crossed to enter Dollo's Foodland parking lot. Minden fire and emergency personnel responded immediately, using the jaws of life to free the passengers in the van. The extent of the injuries to Carpenter and the van's occupants have not been released, nor has any information as to any possible charges. The investigation is continuing. ■

Dysart elections: Two more for Ward Four

■ By Laura Redman

Andy Paul

Andy Paul would bring organization, strong work ethic to council table

Andy Paul is seeking election in Ward Four in Dysart and he says he would bring a strong work ethic, organizational skills and a lot of energy to the role.

Paul said his priorities are to improve the unemployment and seasonal employment situation, broaden the tax base, improve town planning, create more affordable housing and work to fix the congestion and traffic flow issues on area roads.

Paul has a good perspective on area roads, having spent 12 years working in the Haliburton County roads department, 11 years as a real estate agent and 15 years as a survey technician. He now runs a construction survey company, and has taught surveying at Fleming College in Lindsay for the last three years.

Born in Haliburton County, Paul has also lived in Muskoka, Barrie and Toronto – but has been back full-time for the last 25 years. He says those years spent away from the county have given him a good perspective on how other communities are growing and what Haliburton needs.

"I'd like to see a broader tax base, with less dependence on residential, and more incentives to encourage business and manufacturing to come here to broaden that tax base," Paul said. "If we can try to keep taxes down and broaden our tax base, it's a win-win situation."

Paul also says the time has come for residents in the county to bury their rivalry once and for all.

"Our two largest centres, Minden and Haliburton, have always been competitors with one another and we'd have more strength and impact if we combine that population and promote ourselves as a county," Paul said.

Paul said he would also like to come up with a way to fix the parking and traffic issues downtown.

"If we cannot deal with this issue, I feel people may stop coming here because traffic and parking issues may outweigh the quality of their visitor stay," Paul said. He believes the baseball diamond should be moved out of town to make way for more parking behind the municipal offices and that the retail outlets need to offer better hours year-round.

"We need to modernize ourselves a little more – it would be nice to see improved shopping, not only in hours, but in other outlets that other people take for granted," Paul said. "We're still living 50 years behind in many cases, and I'd like to see us improve ourselves a bit without losing our identity." Paul said he sees solutions coming from sitting down and taking a look at zoning, geography and arterial routes to make a plan. As far as a new recreational complex is concerned, Paul is in favour – if the issues can be resolved.

"The two situations that I see presenting themselves are location and funding," Paul said. "I'm not sure where the money is going to come from, but a pool-rink-fitness centre combination would be a wonderful thing."

Paul said the township needs to look at what funds are available at other government levels, pointing to the Apsley arena that is currently being built.

"They put their name in there and they're making it happen, so we just need to get that same opportunity and seize it," Paul said.

Paul believes he is well-positioned to ask for those dollars as well, since he has worked with MP Barry Devolin in the real estate business and knows MPP Rick Johnson as well.

Married and a father of six children, Paul said he is now semi-retired and says he has the time to be on council and to give back to the community. Long active in the local sports community as a player, coach, team manager and executive member, Paul said his experience with a bantam select hockey team last winter also motivated him to seek a place on council.

"With some assistance from the [Highland Storm] executive, I was able to put together a team that was able to play in some tournaments and exhibition games," Paul said. "So I felt, with this whole positive situation, that I could be a bit of a leader, and help guide things along."

Paul says he's ready to be part of a council team.

"We have a lot of interest groups here, we have a lot of needs and we have a limited budget, so it'll have to be wise decisions as to where that money is actually spent," Paul said. "I'd like to be part of that decision-making process." ■

Bob Nichol

A balanced approach to taxes and growth is key to the successful future of Dysart et al, Ward Four Candidate Bob Nichol says.

Born and raised in Haliburton, Nichol's parents owned Haliburton Highlands Golf Course from 1948 to 1978 – meaning he developed a great swing -- and Nichol has spent many years working as a retail manager for the LCBO – meaning he understands the service industry from the inside.

But Nichol is also an experienced Dysart and ward four councilor – he's sat on council three times – the first time 20 years ago – and he's twice represented the town ward – ward one. He says his experience, positive outlook and willingness to do what it takes make him be the best candidate for ward four.

"As I told the Kennisis lake cottage association, if I'm successful, I represent you at the table – with your concerns, your issues. Representing ward four – that would be my focus – but at the same time you have to think about the whole municipality and as the person sitting at that table, what that whole table can accomplish for the municipality."

And Nichol tends to be a big picture thinker. He says his number one priority for the county is putting a good recreation complex in place – and he's a strong believer in sharing resources that he predicts would provide the county with more money. Nichol likes what he sees happening in Kawartha Lakes since their amalgamation, and he says sharing the tax dollars throughout the county only makes sense.

"The tax dollars from Lindsay are now shared throughout the City of Kawartha Lakes and all of those smaller towns and villages have access to those funds and they still have the same people there working away to improve their own areas. I see that as the best of both worlds."

Nichol says the time for rivalries between the towns or areas is long over and predicts the county could save 25 per cent in spending if resources and ideas were shared more effectively.

"Different townships do different things and why would you not want to be on the receiving end of sharing that information? People may have different contacts, different suppliers, and opportunities to save money… I'm a firm believer that you have to support everybody."

But as far as actually amalgamating the county into a one-tier government, Nichol said so far he hasn't heard a very positive response to the idea.

"It may never happen, but I think you can go anywhere in the county and find that local people would support all of the businesses and would want them to be successful, wherever they're located."

Nichol points to Huntsville as a good example of where Haliburton should be heading.

"Huntsville has a solid balance of prosperity and recreation and that's what we're heading towards here."

Nichol sits on the Chamber board and is involved in the Senior Winter Games project.

"I've had lots of community involvement," Nichols said, "but I'm no different than many other people in the community. We have lots of great volunteers here and it all helps to make the community a better place – and as the community grows, we're spurring more economic development."

Nichol said his involvement in discussions with the county about the winter games project has really opened his eyes.

"I think I'm now like a lot of other people here," Nichol said. "We're thinking long term about what the county can do and what we can do in the municipality. We have some great assets here and a great tourism base." Nichol points to the Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve, Sir Sams, the lake associations, better technology and a host of good ideas coming into the area as new people move in.

"It's an exciting time to be involved, and I believe change will be happening business-wise, which will drive better economic growth and will spur even greater things in the area."

Nichol is married to Anna Sicoli-Nichol, a retired schoolteacher, and they have two adult children, André, 25, and Rosanne, 22. He says he wants to work and live in Haliburton County, and now he wants to ensure the West Guilford Community Centre remains open and that the local lakes remain viable."

"I guess that's the reason why I've always been involved – you want to hope that the area continues to grow and so we can leave it well off for my kids and for other people's kids," Nichol said. "It makes you proud to see people from here be successful and to see the people who bring their success and new jobs to our area." ■

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Keith Hodgson

Hodgson offers up extensive local knowledge to council bid

If elected in Dysart et al Ward Five, Keith Hodgson would bring a long political legacy to council.

Hodgson's grandfather was former reeve and MP for the area, his father was a councilor and MPP and his cousin, Chris Hodgson, more recently was reeve and then MPP for the riding.

"Between them, they touched on eight decades of politics in Haliburton," Hodgson said, adding that he's very well connected politically.

But it's maybe his extensive local knowledge that puts Hodgson into a unique place in the ward race. A former member of the Orange Lodge and Dysart economic committee, it's Hodgson's connection to the outdoors through his own work as a logger and trapper, and through his extensive volunteer commitments to outdoors associations that set him apart.

Hodgson has been on the Stewardship Council for 15 years and was a founding member of the Outdoors Association, only stepping down as president last month when he decided to run for council.

He said that council run has been a long time coming, but now he's ready.

"People from Fort Irwin and some other good friends have encouraged me to run… and push came to shove and this was the year to do it – and I'm also ready to do it too – before I don't think I was ready," Hodgson said.

As a founding member of the fish hatchery, Hodgson's priorities are clear.

"I really want to push conservation and water protection in council – that's the strong points that I bring to council."

Hodgson said he believes a lot of people don't understand or aren't aware of the work those organizations do, and he would like to provide that link. Hodgson said that through all three organizations, he's worked with local businesses, service organizations and many other local groups, giving him many local connections in the community.

He spearheaded the recent grant that is allowing naturalized plantings on Head Lake, he's worked with Environment Haliburton! on Enviro Fairs and he helped the local lake associations come together as a county-wide lake steward association.

Hodgson has sat on forestry committees with the Ministry of Natural Resources, helped initiate the Drag River clean-up and restoration project and still sits on a Crown land management as an alternate member.

"I can organize people and I'm a hands-on conservationist," Hodgson said. Whether it's education or awareness, when it comes to organizing volunteers, that's where I shine. We have a good volunteer base here and they're great people."

Hodgson has also recently been asked to sit on the Trent Severn Advisory Board and was able to answer a couple of pointed questions regarding lake water levels at a recent all candidates meeting held in Fort Irwin last Thursday night – one question about lowering water levels before Thanksgiving weekend, and one about high water levels that caused a broken dock. He says his explanations about the importance of natural trout spawning on the eastern shorelines in shallow water by October 10, and the difficult decisions the Trent water system management had to make this year to avoid flooding after record droughts and then record rainfall, helped local cottagers understand the issues and those decisions.

"They were fascinated," Hodgson said. "The one guy said, 'Fantastic, I've never heard that before.' Both questions were very pointed, but I answered them well, and I got a good response. Hopefully, I can keep doing that, and hopefully when someone is experiencing a problem, I can be a go-between."

Hodgson said he believes he's in tune with the issues in this ward – the environment, waterfront management and protection, affordable housing for an ageing population and sketchy cell phone service.

"I'm willing to work on that personally, even if council doesn't want to do it. I think it's time to improve the cell phone service for safety reasons and because people want to work at their cottages," Hodgson said. "That's part of the new economy anyway."

While Hodgson admits he's not as focused on the creative economy as some of the deputy reeve candidates, he likes what's happening.

"It's exciting," he said. "It's bringing people into town and it's bringing more jobs." However, he said he is concerned that the county remains in poverty.

"The problem with it is that the creative economy doesn't make jobs for people that aren't in the creative economy."

Another longtime passion with Hodgson is improving the trail system in the county for ATV and snowmobile use. He said the Stewardship Council has been working on the problem for at least 12 years and the biggest issue remains and it's unique to Dysart.

"There is zero Crown land in Dysart," he said. "Not one acre." Meaning that all of the trails cross private land and landowners are not welcoming ATV use for liability reasons.

"With snowmobiles, they stay on the trail, with ATVs anything that looks like a trail, they point down it."

Hodgson points the finger at a new litigation-based society and says there has to be an understanding on the part of the clubs that they need liability insurance.

"We're getting close to some recognition that it's a problem, but to build trail capacity, we have to overcome that problem first."

Hodgson has lived in Haliburton County most of his life, run several businesses, and lives in Ward Five with his spouse of 30 years, Kim Roberts, who is also known for her involvement in the outdoors association and the Ontario Association of Anglers and Hunters. He says, if elected, he'll have suggestion boxes put up at the marina and at the Eagle Lake store and he would send out regular emails or letters to the cottage associations about what was going on at council. As for why he should be elected, Hodgson is pretty clear. He has the time, the energy and the knowledge to do a good job.

"I'm on the roads every day in Ward Five, I helped build some of those roads, so my knowledge of the people and of the area is good," Hodgson said. "Hopefully, I'll have a chance to serve the people that are there." ■

Mike Jaycock

Jaycock continues dizzying retirement pace with council bid

Mike Jaycock says his reason for seeking election in Dysart et al Ward Five is simple – a gap in communications.

Jaycock, known locally as the morning radio show host on Canoe FM, has a strong communications, marketing and client service background. Using his $19 website, Facebook, email and telephone, Jaycock plans to fill that communication gap that he believes exists between Ward Five residents – more than 80 per cent of whom are seasonal – and council.

"I want to communicate more effectively from council to ratepayers and from ratepayers to council," Jaycock said, adding that if elected, he would turn that campaign website into a ward site where he could post news about what is going on at council and how it's affecting ward five residents.

Jaycock and his wife Jane have six children – the eldest son was just married last weekend – and they have owned property in Haliburton for 12 years. Many might be surprised to learn that the pair have only been full-time residents of Haliburton – or 'permanents' as he calls them – for seven years, since they are so heavily involved in the community.

"I thought I was going to retire here," Jaycock laughs, "but that lasted about 10 days and I started going crazy."

Soon after, Jaycock jumped into volunteering at the radio station – he started his career as a radio DJ in first Midland, and then Hamilton for the former CKOC – but soon made the leap into sales. From producing radio and television commercials, and handling multi-million dollar accounts, Jaycock has had a varied and interesting career- even working with the likes of Guido Basso and Tommy Ambrose as advertising talents.

But in his 'retirement' here, Jaycock has also gotten involved in other organizations. He currently sits on the board of the Sculpture Forest, co-chairs the marketing and communications committee for Winterfest 2011 and is former chair of the Fleming College Foundation Haliburton Friends. He's also become known as a popular emcee for many local organizations including Haliburton Rotary, Ducks Unlimited, the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce and Community Care.

"It's a great way to contribute and it's always a lot of fun."

But Jaycock is also now involved in the new HCDC business incubator program, designed the planning and protocol documents for the initiative and is now managing the facility.

"It's very much an economic development project and I'm delighted because a lot of the business skills that I had I'm using again. And when you deal with young people, you suddenly realize, golly, I know a lot more than I thought I did."

Jaycock believes his business expertise and experience – in prioritizing, problem solving and keeping an eye on the bottom line – will stand him in good stead as a councilor. If elected, he plans to host two meetings a year in his ward – one in spring and one in fall to plan and to review and to consult with the ratepayers, but beyond listening, Jaycock believes he's someone who would initiate projects and ideas.

"I believe that if you're going to be a visible representative, then the people you represent need to know that you'll bring ideas to the table," Jaycock said. "You can't wait until the phone rings or the email comes through. You need to be proactive."

Jaycock said he's been asked if he even has time to do the job.

"Based on my current commitments, I have the time to do it, not that I'm looking for something to do. I'm looking to do things, and I think ward five deserves a higher level of service," Jaycock said. "If I say I'm going to do something, I will do it and you will know the timeframe in which I'm going to do it."

As for his priorities for the community, Jaycock said he's a huge supporter of economic development.

"I'm a really big supporter of trying to build a platform that will attract new businesses coming to town and setting up for the right reasons – we have an infrastructure that can handle that."

As for the idea of a pool and recreation complex, Jaycock said there needs to be some intelligent conversation around the idea.

"Philosophically, I don't think there is a person who wouldn't support that development, but I think we need to do some planning on how to make it happen."

Jaycock is also aware of the need for more affordable housing.

"I think we need an integrated approach to providing for our residents… and the township needs to be a leader in that area."

Jaycock said people have been asking him if he's ever going back to the radio station, and he finds his ever-ready sense of humour.

"So I tell them, yes, but after October 25 there will be a difference. I'll either be telling political jokes, or I will be one. Obviously, I'll have to be a bit more careful now." ■

Haliburton's pink tandem picking up the pace for women's cancer research

Karen Frybort and Christine Higgins

■ By Terrance Gavan

"Ah, go take a hike!"

That's a pretty peppy pejorative used by my mother – a lot – during my formative years.

However, when Toronto hosts its annual walk to beat womens' cancer – as it did again this year on Sept 11-12 - "Go take a hike" takes on new pallor; novel perspective.

It remains an especially poignant touchstone for two ladies from Haliburton, Karen Frybort and Christine Higgins.

Karen's been walking the walk – and talking the talk – for five years now, and Higgins, a breast cancer survivor, completed her second campaign this year.

Both women touched by the scourge.

Both women struggling with the detritus of separate brushes with fate.

Karen walking to remember her mother-in-law, now 80, and five years cancer-free.

Higgins, a retired school principal, walking, well, because she's a survivor who owes a great deal to this continuing quest for a final cure for breast cancer.

Make no mistake.

It's a beautiful thing.

The walk is no picnic.

It's 60 kilometers over two days.

That's a grind.

Hearken Higgins, who spent last week as the poster child for Podiatrist's Monthly Magazine.

Frybort, stifling a chuckle, said her partner for the walk tried the old Red Green recipe for "pedantic" (sic) prevention this year.

For anyone contemplating a blister-free 60-K pilgrimage, here's a hint: Beware of ersatz running gurus and snake oil salesmen selling duct tape as "the cure du jour" for blisters.

It don't work.

"She got some major blisters," says Frybort. "She had this thing about duct tape and her feet are still recovering.

Take that, Red Green.

Blisters are inconsequential in the grand scheme.

Frybort says that Higgins, after vowing last year that this would be a one off event, has already signed off on her walk for next year. Three and counting.

Frybort says that it's a familiar story line.

Especially for those survivors who get to meet all those other stories along the road.

Those wondrous walking miracles who, thanks to the millions of dollars raised over the years by the Princess Margaret walk for the cure, are alive today, caring for their husbands, like Karen's 80-year old mum-in-law who is now looking after her husband, recovering from a double bypass.

Or the mother that Karen and Christine met on the walk – the mum who was walking for her 16-year-old daughter diagnosed recently with cancer..

No soul spared. No age group immune.

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Trundled baby steps while waiting for that final thread in the research which will one day make those invasive procedures obsolete.

For now though, it's all good.

Especially for those survivors who imbibe in that unification march at the closing ceremonies on Sunday.

It's the part of the event that still provides an almost surreal backdrop for Karen Frybort.

Thousands of survivors walking in pairs along a narrow stage. Hand in hand.

An irrefutable testament to the efficacy of villages and people; stoic symbiosis in action.

"This year they held the closing ceremonies outside BMO field," says Frybort. "The sun was shining and they had all the survivors walking on the catwalk.

"That's when you really do see why you're doing it. There's a celebration that we all can celebrate. I watched as Christine and the survivors all walked together."

Five years in and Karen figures that she's raised in excess of $16,000 and there's no pulling up lame in this race.

Renowned researcher, Dr Tak Mak, and the Princess Margaret hospital took in over $10.5 million toward breast cancer treatment and research last weekend.

Christine Higgins and her husband Gord are going to enjoy another parade of fall colors.

A mother has a 16-year-old daughter to celebrate Thanksgiving with.

A feisty 80-year-old survivor is back in a hospital, this time nursing Mick Frybort's dad out from under a double heart bypass.

So is all good with the world?

Well, let's just say that it's a heck of a lot better than it was when cancer outcomes were, let's say, more onerous.

Karen Frybort is already planning for next year's walk.

Higgins and Frybort would like to get a ten person team – name extant is Northern Lights - for next year's walk.

With everyone pledging the minimum $2,000 entry, that would put $20,000 into the kitty.

"I think it would be great and we've already had some offers from locals who would like to walk next year," smiles Frybort.

And by the way.

The effervescent McKecks Blue Line manager still has the pink gift jar on the upstairs bar.

Go give it a jingle.

If you get a chance.

As Frybort likes to say: "The giving doesn't end with the walk."

"Now.Go take a hike!"

Seriously. ■

Rabies Clinic

Dr. Laurie Brown from Haliburton Veterinary Services has been participating in rabies clinics for about 30 years, and she was busy Saturday injecting animals as they came through the doors of the Dysart et al fire hall. Here, Brown gives a rabies shot to 'Caspar' who was brought in by Allan Cox. Brown said in recent years, they've been seeing a smaller turnout at the clinics and a larger number of people coming into the office for their pets' shots.

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Rick Johnson flips ... in Head Lake Park

■ Photo by Laura Redman

MPP Rick Johnson hosted a free barbecue at Head Lake Park on Friday evening and cooked up some hotdogs with Mel Smith. It was Johnson's first community barbecue in Haliburton village.

Corn Roast for Lions

■ Photo by Laura Redman

Gerald Hadley was busy cooking up corn as the Haliburton Lions Club raised some funds selling corn on the cob outside the Foodland on Friday afternoon.

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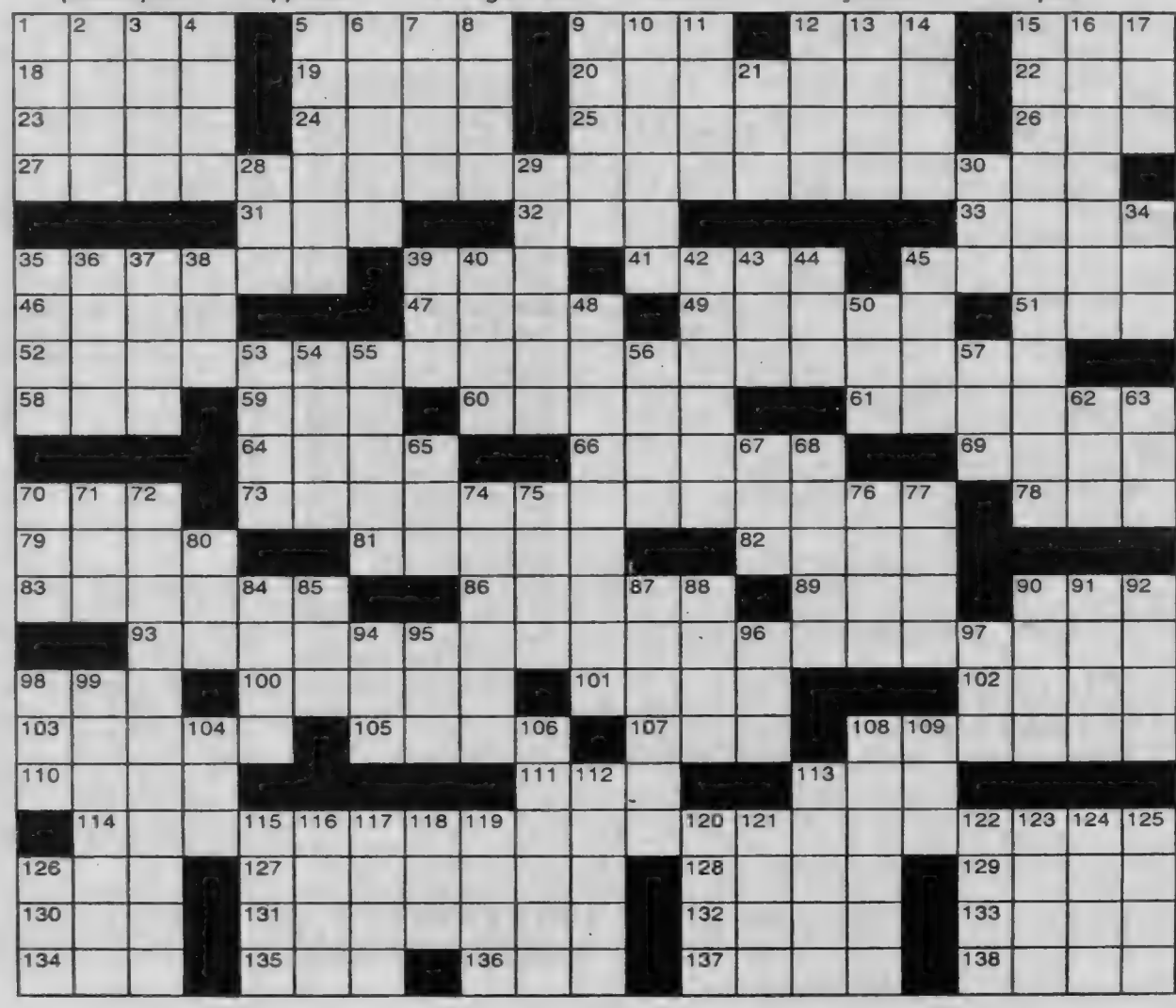

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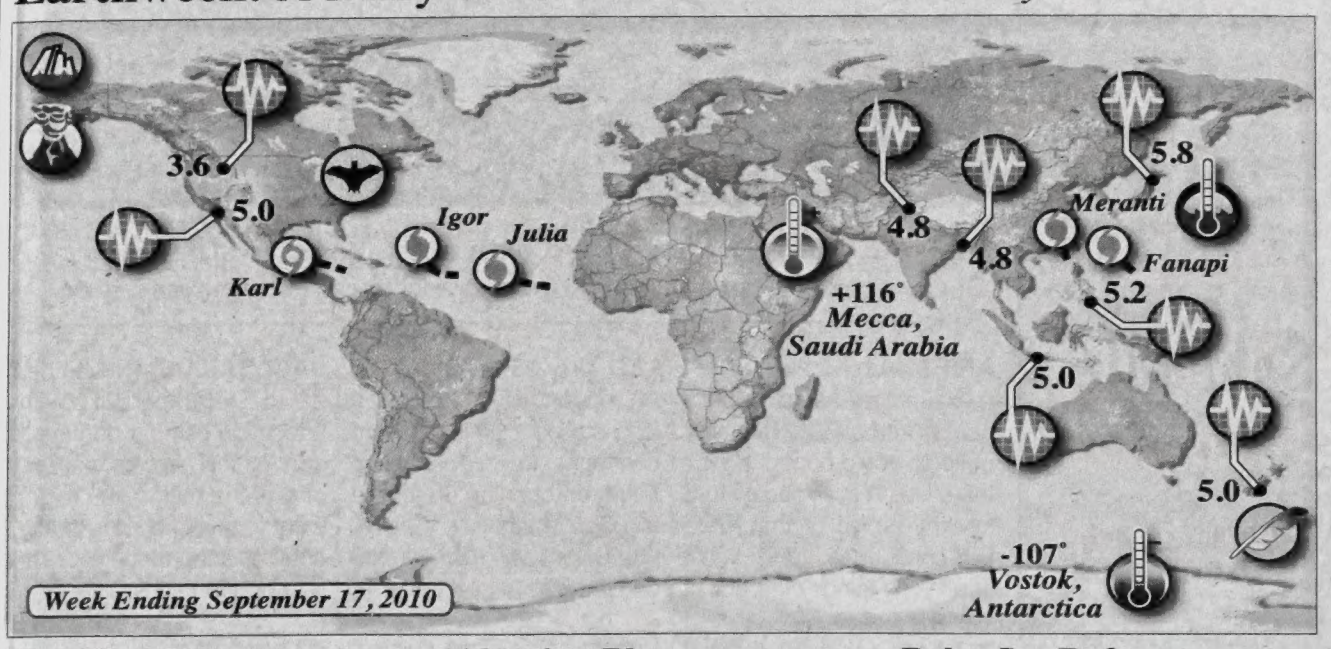

Heat Exodus

Sea temperatures around Japan during August reached the warmest levels ever recorded since reliable measurements began 25 years ago. Fish are believed to have fled the heat. The average sea-surface temperature of 77 degrees Fahrenheit followed the hottest summer since 1898 across the country. Thousands of people have been taken to hospitals suffering from heatstroke and other heat-related ailments. Japanese fishermen say they have been hard-pressed to find their usual catches of Pacific sauries, which have dropped 80 percent in numbers since last summer. Pacific saury, known as sanma in Japan, usually swim about 3 feet below the surface, according to Akihiko Yatsu, a senior researcher at the National Research Institute of Fisheries Science. He told the *Yomiuri Shimbun* that unlike other fish, sanma cannot dive to reach cooler water, so they must swim elsewhere.

Bat Disease Hope

New treatments are being proposed to help combat a fatal bat disease that has decimated the flying mammals' population in several parts of the eastern United States. The so-called white-nose syndrome is a fungal infection that emerged in 2006. Scientists don't know exactly how it has wiped out 97 percent of the bat population in some areas, but researchers think they can fight it. Addressing a meeting of the American Society for Microbiology, Jeremy Coleman, head of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's response to the problem, says that the use of antifungal drugs might be successful in treating infected bats, and antiseptics could be used to decontaminate bat caves. But Coleman warns that further study is necessary to make sure the treatments don't harm other wildlife or cause their own set of problems.

Aleutian Plume

Alaska's Mount Cleveland spewed a plume of ash and steam over the central Aleutian Islands. Satellite infrared observations detected an increase in heat within the 5,676-foot mountain, but the Alaska Volcano Observatory said that didn't necessarily mean a larger eruption is imminent. Vulcanologists there have put the mountain on yellow alert, but say the lack of seismic equipment on Mount Cleveland makes it difficult to monitor its activity. They cautioned trans-Pacific aviation interests that it could take hours for new ash clouds to show up on satellite images.

Tropical Cyclones

High winds from Typhoon Meranti killed three people in China's Fujian province as the Category 1 storm wrecked their coastal homes.

• Typhoon Fanapi gained strength and took aim on Taiwan's east coast.

• Hurricane Igor strengthened to Category 4 force as it roared across the North Atlantic toward Bermuda. Much weaker Hurricane Julia steered a more northerly course, while Tropical Storm Karl drenched the Yucatan Peninsula.

Earthquakes

Residents of south-central Java were shaken soundly by a 5.0 magnitude quake. There were no reports of damage or injuries.

• A man was thrown from his horse in northwest Wyoming when one in a string of minor quakes in the area spooked the animal.

• Earth movements were also felt in Indian-controlled parts of Kashmir, Bangladesh, northern Japan, far southern Philippines, the California-Mexico border area and in the Christchurch, New Zealand, aftershock zone.

Polar Ice Refugees

Walruses have joined polar bears and other creatures that are acutely affected by the record decline of Arctic sea ice in recent years. Researchers from the U.S. Geological Survey found that for the third time in four years, unprecedented numbers of the marine mammals are congregating onshore in northwest Alaska due to the lack of an icepack. Large numbers of walrus calves have been found swimming in the Arctic alone, presumably abandoned by their mothers while they were making an arduous ice-free journey to shore. The bulky animals normally float on ice over the summer, occasionally diving to the sea floor to forage for food. But again this year, tens of thousands have been forced to swim to land and crowd together in Alaska and Siberia due to ice-free conditions.

Kiwi Quake Survivor

The egg of a critically endangered subspecies of kiwi that survived the devastating Sept. 4 Christchurch earthquake unbroken has hatched. Only about 300 rowi are believed to still be alive after the iconic New Zealand birds were ravaged by non-native predators such as cats, dogs, ferrets and possums over the past two centuries. Department of Conservation spokesman Rory Newsam says the newborn chick is called "Richter" after one of the pioneers of seismology for whom a scale of intensity was named. Richter's egg rolled around in its incubator during this month's 7.1 magnitude quake,. but rubber matting prevented any damage, according to Newsam. The chick will be taken to a small island sanctuary free of predators once it's about a year old.

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Schedule

Thursday, September 23, 2010 (Pre Festival Walk & Community Forum)

Stroll Along the Riverwalk with Gil Penalosa — 6:15 to 7:00 pm
Town Docks, Minden Village — Easy

Healthy Active Communities Forum with Gil Penalosa (8-80 Cities) — 7:00 to 9:00 pm
Minden Hills Community Centre
Presented by Communities in Action Committee
Refreshments will be served — FREE

Friday, September 24, 2010

Workshop – making Haliburton County a more active place with Gil Penalosa — 9:00 am to 11:00 am
Applejacks Restaurant, Highland St, Haliburton Village
Presented by Communities in Action Committee
Refreshments will be served — FREE

Hike Pre-Registration — 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Haliburton Highlands Tourism Office, 12340 Hwy 35

Walking on the Right Side of the Brain — 3:00 – 4:30 pm
Haliburton Sculpture Forest, Haliburton Village — Easy – Family

Minden Ghost Walk with Conjurors of County Town — 6:00 to 7:30 pm
Meet at River Cone, Minden Village — Easy
sponsored by Arts Alive Minden

Saturday, September 25, 2010

Circuit of Five Viewpoints with Peter Brogden — 9:00 to 11:30 am
Little Hawk Lake Rd, Algonquin Highlands — Challenging – Dogs welcome

Lochlin Esker Hike with Don Wright — 9:00 to 11:30 am
Warder Rd, Lochlin — Moderate – Family

Gems Beneath Your Boots with John Etches, Sandra & Mark Bramham — 9:00 am to noon
Green Mantle Mineral Farm, Essonville Line, Wilberforce — Moderate – Family

Magical World of Mushrooms with Pat Burchell — 10:00 am to noon
Dahl Forest, Geeza Rd — Moderate – Family

Photo Hunt with Roy Truchan — 1:00 to 4:00 pm
RD Lawrence Place & Snowden Park — Easy – Family

Geocaching – GPS Treasure Hunt with Mary Barker — 1:00 to 4:00 pm
Monrock lake Rd, Highlands East — Moderate – Family & Dogs welcome

Gems Beneath Your Boots with John Etches, Sandra & Mark Bramham — 1:00 to 4:00 pm
Green Mantle Mineral Farm, Essonville Line, Wilberforce — Moderate – Family

Stouffer Mill Doggy Walk with Don & Jesse Pflug — 2:00 to 3:30 pm
Stouffer Mill Bed & Breakfast, Halls Lake — Moderate – Family & Dogs welcome

Minden Ghost Walk with Conjurors of County Town — 7:00 to 8:30 pm
Meet at River Cone, Minden Village — Easy
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Sunday, September 26, 2010

In Search of Harburn Wells with Yours Outdoors — 10:00 to 11:30 am
Harburn Wells, Harburn Rd, Haliburton — Moderate – Family

Wildflowers & Wet Meadows with Angie Horner — 10:00 am to noon
RD Lawrence Place, Bobcaygeon Rd, Minden — Easy – Family

Goin' All the Way on the Ridge with Peter Brogden — 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
Meet at Algonquin Highlands Muncipal Office, North Shore Rd — Challenging

Beaver Dam Hike at YMCA Camp Wanakita — 1:30 to 3:30 pm
YMCA Camp Wanakita, Koshlong Lake Rd, Donald — Moderate – Family

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Horoscopes
It's in the Stars

BORN THIS WEEK: Although you might sometimes seem rigid in your views, your love of justice makes you a trusted friend everyone can rely on.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A workplace change doesn't seem to have turned out quite as you'd hoped. Never mind: Just treat yourself to a healthy dollop of that Aries self-confidence, and you'll soon view things differently.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Some of the support you might have hoped for in a difficult situation might not be there. But you have the strength to rely on your own capabilities if you must. Good luck.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A disagreement with a longtime friend can be painful, but it also can be a learning lesson. Insist on a full and complete airing of views. You'll both come away the better for it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A stalled relationship can be restarted with some give and take on both sides. And while it could take more time than you expect, don't rush it. Be patient, and let it happen naturally.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) An opportunity to move a long-stalled project from concept to construction might be opening up for the Big Cat. Meanwhile, be prepared to spend more time dealing with family matters.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Use your Virgo organizational skills to line up support to help you deal with a sticky workplace problem. A personal matter also might be helped with friendly intervention.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Trying to resolve a workplace problem with a longtime associate can be difficult. Consider bringing in an impartial third party to help you both reach a mutually acceptable solution.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) This is a good time to assess your current career situation. Consider whether you have a chance to move up where you are now, or if you should look elsewhere.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) With education being a dominant part of this week's aspect, one of the things you might want to think about is taking courses to enhance your career opportunities.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You might have a problem trying to stay focused on a matter you'd rather not deal with. But the sooner you do, the sooner it will be resolved and out of the way.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) An unforeseen complication creates a difficult problem. But things get resolved once you use your ability to turn negative situations into positive experiences.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) The Pisces penchant for doing the right thing at the right time helps you deal with a particularly troublesome situation. Consider your best option, and act accordingly.

ColourFest! HALIBURTON VILLAGE 2010

Scarecrow Contest

Saturday, September 25th
Old Village Barn Square, Highland Street

CanoeFM hosts the Haliburton BIA Scarecrow Decorating Contest leading up to Colourfest 2010 celebrations!

Categories: Adult, Adult/Live, Kids, Kids/Live
Naming: All scarecrows must have a name tag or a sign for easy identification.
Themes: Be creative and use your imagination. We are not limiting entries to a specific theme.
Registration: All scarecrows must be registered from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm.
Setup: 11:00am – 1:00pm in the Village Barn Square
Winners Announced/Prizes Awarded: 2:00 pm
Prizes: Adults, Adults/Live - $100 cash
Kids, Kids/Live - $50 in V&S gift certificates
Setup: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Scarecrows must be able to support themselves while on display.
Materials: You are responsible for providing all materials to construct your Scarecrow. Your Scarecrow should ha ve all props securely fastened.
Rules & Restrictions: Purchased scarecrows are not permitted. The Haliburton BIA and CanoeFM are not responsible for any loss or damage to entries. The committee also reserves the right to use photographs of the Scarecrows for future publicity.

INFO: 457-9603

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FOR SALE – Acreage frontage on year round road, property adjacent to 3000 acres of crown. Driveway, deeded, hydro, and phone, ideal hunting property, private sale $59,000, call 705-455-3085. (Sept D)

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FOR SALE – Electric stove 30 inch jenn-air with blower $400.

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FOR RENT – Bachelor apartment, utilities, satellite television included – pet okay, no smoking, waterfront, located on Horseshoe Lake, available immediately, $600.00 per month, first-last-& references required. Please call 705-854-0044. (TFN)

ROOM FOR RENT – First/last and references required. No pets, single person. Country setting and a 5 minute walk to town of Minden. Please call 705-286-2832 for more information. (Sept D)

FOR RENT – Three bedroom, 2 bathroom home on 2 acre lot in Eagle Lake. $1100 per month plus utilities, first/ last and references required. Available immediately, contact 647-999-3376. (Sept E)

FOR RENT – Two rooms for rent half way between Minden and Haliburton Hwy #21, $650.00 inclusive for large basement room, and $550 inclusive for main floor room. Full access to all amenities; please contact 705-854-0011. (Sept D)

FOR RENT – One bedroom home on 2 private acres. The home boasts a large deck, perennial gardens, and is only 5 minutes from downtown Haliburton. $675 per month plus utilities, available October 1st. would suite young couple, single professional or retired couple. Call Daryl or Tracy 705-448-9785. (Sept E)

For Rent

HOUSE FOR RENT ON BEECH LAKE – 3 bedroom house waterfront/propane/ electric heat, September – May. Call 705-489-1917. (Sept C)

Help Wanted

HELP WANTED – Wanted Inspired Child Care Person – Skills: excellent communication, mindful, nature loving, active, imaginative, Steiner/Waldorf inspired. One who enjoys: digging, looking, laughing, playing, being, discovering, asking, wondering, building, drawing, singing, making, unmaking, reflecting, imagining, investigating, and caring. Contact Karen at: woodsbetweentheworlds@gmail.com with experience and resume. (Sept D)

HELP WANTED – For pizza store in Haliburton. Experienced person, send resume to pizza.haliburton@yahoo.com or mail to Box 613 Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0. (Sept D)

Services

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SERVICE – Roofing, chimney sweeping, fall clean-up. Call Mike Thomson 705-457-6365. (Sept E)

Lost & Found

FOUND – Well trained – very friendly- Yellow Lab approximately 2 years old male – found on Caribou Lodge Road on Saturday August 21st. Please call 705-286-6638(h) 705-286-2837(w)

FOUND – 5 stone family ring found. Please call 705-457-1853. (Oct C)

LOST - SONY camcorder at Furnace Falls, at the picnic area just north of Kinmount (off of 503) on Aug 25th. If anyone has found it, can they please contact me at (905) 794-8239. I'd really appreciate their help. I have lots of priceless family videos on it. I can give a reward to the person finding it. (Sept E)

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Pets

FREE KITTENS – Two orange, one black and light coloured underneath, and one whitish orange. They were born on the 13th of July. Please call 705-489-4242 or 705-489-3178. (Sept E)

Wanted

WANTED –Cut birch tree branches – 10 to 12 feet long, 2-3 inches in diameter. Also cut Red dog wood branches. Please call John at 416-677-9252

Announcement

REMINDER NOTICE – Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre annual general meeting & elections September 23rd at 6:30 p.m. 23 York Street, Haliburton 705-457-2330 www.railsendgallery.com

ANNOUNCEMENT – The Minden Bible Church – Bobcaygeon Road, invites you to hear a former chaplain Roy Carter, 10:30 a.m. on Sunday September 26th.

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Eco Trivia Answer

A: No! The Milk snake is not poisonous, in fact, none of the snakes found in Haliburton County are poisonous. But even though these snakes can't seriously hurt anybody, they have still found themselves in Ontario's Species at Risk registry, with their declining numbers largely due to Humans killing them out of fear. If you see a snake, please know that it will not hurt you, and will only defend itself if it feels trapped and threatened, so just give it room, and it will continue to hunt all those pesky rodents for you!

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Answers

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